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JAPANESE FAIL TO CHECK ATTACKERS

GIVE GROUND STEADILY ON LONG FRONT

Many Garrisons Shut Up in Walled Towns

FOREIGN EXPERTS SAY TACTICS TO BLAME
(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, Mar. 31.

Chinese Army despatches reveal that the Japanese in most parts of the fighting lines in southern Shantung and southern Shansi are in general retreat, apparently intending to consolidate their now endangered strategic positions and to reopen their severed lines of communication. The Japanese retreat has been forced by the war's most extensive Chinese counter-drive, and the Chinese claim they have forced the Japanese troops to abandon large supplies of war materials at many points.

The Japanese have been compelled to barricade themselves in the scattered walled towns, while they are awaiting reinforcements.

Foreign military experts here are inclined to give full credence to the Chinese claims, pointing out that Japanese vanguards far outnumbered their safe communication lines and exposed their flanks to Chinese guerrillas.

Moreover, they left insufficient garrisons in their strategic towns and villages, in the mistaken belief that the Chinese troops were concentrated to the south-west, ahead of the Japanese vanguard.

Japan's Error Means Heavy Loss To Army

The foreign experts discussing the "short-sighted" Japanese strategy declare it may result in the war's most costly phase, due to the present heavy losses and the necessity of procuring thousands of reinforcements prior to any attempt to retake the positions which the Japanese are at present reported to be evacuating.

It is predicted that Japanese advances of the future will be very much slower, due to the probable precaution of fully "mopping up" before pressing the attack.

The foreign experts are impressed by the apparently unified Chinese command over the guerrillas in North China, which converged on the Japanese from all sides simultaneously, indicating surprising strength behind the Japanese lines.

Hailed As War's Greatest Victory

Chinese reports hail the Tientsin-Pukow railway counter-drive as the war's greatest victory.

It is indicated that the successful guerrillas are not attempting to hold the occupied towns and villages after the arrival of strong Japanese reinforcements. But they are practically wiping out scores of small garrisons. Thereafter, they "disappear."

However, the Chinese regulars at Linzi and on the Tai-chung sector are fighting a frontal battle unqualified in fury since the engagements at Shanghai.—United Press.

Reinforcements Mass As Wounded Pour In

Peking, Mar. 31.

It is learned here that heavy Japanese reinforcements are being rushed up to the front lines.

At the same time, foreign reports state that trainloads of Japanese wounded are on their way to Tientsin.—United Press.

"We are Preparing Men and Means for War"

MEN FOR "THE NEXT WAR"



IL DUCE SAYS, "WE LIKE IT"—Having tried out the Fascist Roman—the modified German goose-step—on his Black Shirts, Premier Mussolini liked it so well he ordered it as a regular movement for his Fascist militia. Above, the goose-stepping soldiers pass in review in Rome, on the 15th Fascist anniversary. "It's not for the sedentary," Il Duce said. "That's why we like it."

Government Promises Aid To Refugees

London, Mar. 30.

Mr. R. A. Butler, speaking in the House of Commons to-day, stated that the invitation from the United States to co-operate in establishing a special committee to deal with the problem of the emigration of refugees from Austria and Germany, was receiving the prompt and sympathetic consideration of the Government.—Reuter.

U.S. Expected To Take Lead In Building Bigger Ships

Escalator Clause May Be Invoked To-day

Washington, Mar. 30.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, said to-day that the American Government would probably send a note to Great Britain to-morrow formally invoking the escalator clause of the Naval Treaty.

It is believed that the United States Government will formally claim the lack of Japanese assurances that that nation is not building war vessels above the 35,000-ton category is responsible for the American action.—United Press.

It was intimated yesterday that the United States and Great Britain would probably build battle craft over the 35,000-ton level, and perhaps up to the 45,000-ton mark. Earlier it was suggested that the United States would arm her super-battleships with 16 inch guns.

It is understood that Great Britain is already casting the great moulds with which she will manufacture weapons of more than 14-inch size.

SULTAN PLANS DIVORCE FROM BRITISH WIFE

Singapore, Mar. 31.

The Sultan of Johore has announced that he will divorce his wife, the former Mrs. Helen Wilson, in accordance with the Moslem faith.

The marriage remains valid in English law, as the couple were married at the Kensington Registry Office, as well as at the Woking mosque.

CHINESE AIRCRAFT ATTACK YHSIEH

Rain Bombs On Japanese

(Special to "Telegraph")

Hankow, Mar. 31.

It is officially disclosed that a Chinese air force squadron bombed the city of Yhsieh, 20 miles east of Lincheng, yesterday. There has been heavy fighting in this area, and the Japanese have been pouring reserves into Yhsieh.

The numerous Japanese troops in the city were seen to be in a frightened disorder when the Chinese planes came over.

The raiders dropped a "huge number" of bombs and set fire to "dumps" of Japanese war supplies.

All the raiders returned safely to their base of operations.—United Press.

Civilians Killed By The Score

Shanghai, Mar. 31.

Chinese reports state that 17 Japanese planes, in attempting to relieve pressure on Tai-chung, dropped 200 bombs on nearby villages, killing "scores of civilians," after Chinese troops had encircled and threatened to wipe out a Japanese column before reinforcements could possibly arrive.

Japanese reports admit very heavy fighting at Tai-chung, and it is estimated that 60,000 of General Tang En-po's Chinese troops are "offering very stiff resistance." It is claimed that two battalions of over 500 Chinese troops were killed in a night attack at San-chung, near Tai-chung.

Chinese reports state that Chinese planes were taking part in the drive. However, details of their activities are very sketchy.

It is noteworthy that Japanese reports of routine Japanese raids in South China and Central China stated that they had not encountered any Chinese planes, and this possibly substantiates reports that the majority of Chinese planes are concentrating in North China.—United Press.

WARSAW'S THREAT TO PRAGUE

Czecho-Slovakia Communist Rampart, Poland Charges

Warsaw, Mar. 30.

Possibly foreshadowing diplomatic action by the Prague Government the Polish press to-day attacked Czecho-Slovakia. The newspaper, *Express Poranny* wrote:

"If other national groups in Czecho-Slovakia demand autonomy, the Poles are equally entitled to it. Czecho-Slovakia must cease to be the Central European rampart of the Communist Internationale. If Prague is not ready to co-operate with Warsaw, it must bear the full responsibility for any future consequences."—United Press.

French Fire On Insurgent Air Raiders

Paris, Mar. 30.

French anti-aircraft batteries opened fire to-day on insurgent war planes which were returning along the French frontier after bombing the Spanish town of Port Bou, just over the French border.

It is learned that two people were killed and much damage caused at Port Bou by the raiding planes, which flew along the railway linking Port Bou with Perpignan.—Reuter Bulletin.

TRANSPORT CAN BE PROTECTED

Lessons Of Home Fleet Exercises

London, Mar. 30.

The Home Fleet's important two-day and air manoeuvres have concluded. The exercises proved that the transport carriers, which were

MUSSOLINI BOASTS OF FIGHTING POWER OF ITALIAN NATION

Navy Won't Stay in Port When Hostilities Open

Rome, Mar. 30.

Opening an important speech to the Senate on the fighting Services estimates, Signor Benito Mussolini said that the best defence was the offensive. While Italy had now 44,000,000 people, in 10 years time she would have 50,000,000 in the mother country alone.

There was a round of applause when Il Duce said that many men were needed to form big battalions. He added that the dispatch of two army corps to Lybia, and the drain on the army in Spain had not weakened Italy.

The officers of the Italian army, he said, constituted a hierarchy worthy of the highest respect. "We are preparing men and means for war and a quick decision. There can never be too many guns in proportion to infantry. The gun has always been called the Queen of the battle."

U.S. Bomber's Crash Kills Five of Crew

Honolulu, Mar. 30.

Five men are believed to have been killed when a United States naval patrol bomber crashed off the island of Oahu, to-day.

One of the crew, which numbered seven, swam ashore, and another was washed to safety in an unconscious condition.—Reuter.

Government Angered By Raid On Ship

Strong Protest To Insurgents

London, Mar. 30.

When the bombing of the British ship, *Stanwell*, by insurgent planes, was raised in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler stated that after careful consideration of all the evidence, the Government had come to the conclusion that the vessel was the object of a deliberate attack.

The British Agent at Burgos had accordingly been instructed to inform the insurgent authorities of this effect, and to enter a strong protest against the incident, which the Government regarded as entirely unacceptable.

The British Agent had been instructed to demand an investigation, while the Government reserved the right to claim, in due course, full compensation to persons and property resulting from the attack.—Reuter.

represented by battleships, protected in the first place by an outer destroyer patrol, and then by cruisers, would normally have 15 to 20 minutes warning before a bombing attack, and all anti-aircraft guns could be manned in readiness.

Signor Mussolini proceeded to say that Italy had solved the question of unity of command. The policy, both political and strategic, was the hands and head of the Government. Italy had a duty even more than a right, to possess a worthy navy. By 1941 Italy would have eight battleships, four of which would be new. The navy had given proof of its value during the last few years, and its contribution to the Abyssinian campaign was an essential one.

Won't Remain In Harbour

In the next war, Italian warships would not remain in harbour. "You have only to go aboard an Italian warship to see the remarkable improvement the Fascist regime has worked in the physical and moral condition of our sailors," added Il Duce.

All the Italian naval bases have been brought up to date with the latest devices of engineering. "We have a reserve of fuel in Italy for a long period. The naval spirit in the Imperial sense of the word has been born among the Italian people."

The Italian air force, said Mussolini, is composed of several thousands of aeroplanes, many of which are of the most modern type. There were 40,000 workers in many factories building aeroplanes (Continued on Page 12.)

STOP PRESS

LIANGHSIATIEH AND TENGHSIEN ATTACKED

Hsuehchow, March 31.

Assisting the counter-attacks of the regular forces, Chinese guerrilla units are attacking Tenghsien and Lianghsiatien on the north Tientsin-Pukow Railway front.

In a night attack on Lianghsiatien on March 29 the guerrillas slaughtered 100 Japanese soldiers with hand-grenades, and on the previous day they engaged the Japanese at Lianghsiatien in a three-hours combat, inflicting considerable casualties.

Large quantities of ammunition and provisions left behind by the Japanese upon their retreat from Lianghsiatien on March 27 were set on fire by the Chinese the next day when the city changed hands again.—Central News.

40 CIVILIANS SLAIN

Chengyangkwan, Mar. 31.

Over 40 civilians were killed and 30 wounded on the morning of March 29 when five Japanese planes bombed Hotel in Anhwei. About 200 houses were also wrecked.—Central News.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

BOUND FOR HOME

The Latest in Shipboard Clothes

ALL ABOARD! The ship's hand plays merrily and you walk blithely up the gangway. If you have packed the right clothes for the right moment in your bag, you are happy—secure in the knowledge that you will have a good time.

So, in order to be able to give you first hand news of what will be worn aboard this summer, the other day I sat and watched sunbanned model parades in the latest cruising clothes against a canvas background of blue sea and a sky banked with fleecy clouds.

How do you like the idea of rust linen slacks and boleros? With this outfit, which is illustrated here, is worn a lime green shirt and a soft yellow sash. These colours are as smart as paint worn together.

Slacks are rather wider this season, so that they give a more graceful line. Many models in navy have either a wide stripe of braid or two narrow ones down either side, which has a "height-making" as well as a nautical effect. Slacks rather mannish in cut are worn with a scarlet double-breasted jacket.

Bright Sashes
Shorts dresses are trying to oust the popular sun-bathing top from favour, but they have taken on a difficult task, as, with a pair of cream tussore or linen shorts, alternate coloured tops give an easy change of costume.

White flannel shorts, well tailored, are the latest craze. A novelty of the season is a short circular skirt with a Lightning Fastener at the side, which, on occasions, can be worn as a cape to protect one's back from the sun; a practical idea this.

Brightly coloured braid sashes with fringed ends give a tropical note to a light hued outfit, but these are added, of course, to one's costume after the daily dozen have been performed.

Pique coats, brightly patterned, giving a cloque effect, complement many self-coloured frocks. You will

find them a friend in need if you strike a coolish period for your holiday. They make just the difference in weight required with thin frocks.

Dresses for the main part have sleeves, short affairs with just a hint of squareness at the shoulders; no puffs unless the frock is in silk or voile. Lines are neat and trim, and nearly all styles button down the front or side.

Patternings strike the note of originality in summer cruise frocks. You will often find a Chinese junk accompanied by small figures sailing across the surface of the fabric.

Then there are anchors galore, aeroplanes, ships, novelty stripes, and every size of check imaginable. Boleros for morning, noon and night are particularly adaptable, as they can be copied in various materials to give a smart finish to a frock.

Accessories are interesting. Hats tend towards cartwheel dimensions when designed for cruising, and both the Chinese coolie shapes and wide-brimmed straw hats inspired by Mexican or Wild West cowboys' headgear are being shown.

Most useful for packing are those in pique and linen, or a straw hat that can be rolled and tucked away down the side of a suit case.

Scarves of Paisley silk, striped and bordered, that can be worn gipsy fashion on the head or knotted round the throat, are fashionable.

So are coloured woollen jewellery and handbags made of the same material as your frocks, embroidered either with the name of the ship on which you are sailing or your own Christian name.

Three or four strands of chiffon tightly plaited together make an attractive hair band. Belts are usually gay, in multi-coloured embroidered linen, or in white flannel with gaily coloured flowers.

Sandal Shoes
There are numerous varieties in sandal shoes, but if you want to be really comfortable, choose an all-white buckskin low-heeled style, or a pair in white buckskin with navy or brown trimmings. Many are perforated to give added coolness to the foot.

And, to come to the most glamorous part of our cruise wardrobe—evening clothes. Sketched is a version of the evening coat-frock of black organdie over a tailored slip of white pique.

The same coat can be worn over various foundations, such as flesh pink dull faced crepe, flowered crepe, black taffeta or white satin.

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shoulder, at the waist or trailing on the skirt.

For non-dancers or those who prefer a more sophisticated outfit there are sleek-fitting satin and crepe dresses, skirts slit half way to the knee, and straight-fitting bodices with a contrast bolero in brocade or scintillating with sequins or crystals.

With two or three different boleros, you can ring many changes on one evening frock.

MARY GRACE.

MIDGE

"But I've cleaned some of them, Mummy!"

COOKERY HINTS

WHEN separating the yolk from the white of an egg, break it into a funnel over a glass, for the white will pass through, leaving the yolk in the funnel.

Milk is not so likely to boil over if a china pie funnel is put in the centre of the saucepan, and it will not burn if a lump of butter is dropped into a warm saucepan before the milk is poured in.

More juice will be obtained from lemons if they are placed in a hot oven before being squeezed. When they are not being used at once, submerge in water, which should be changed once a week to make them last almost indefinitely.

A good substitute for an egg if one is not available when making steamed puddings is a tablespoonful of treacle mixed with milk.

To make a rice pudding really creamy, add a small knob of finely chopped beef suet before cooking, but see it is well mixed with the rice and milk.

Pastry will brown nicely if brushed over with milk before being placed in the oven and, incidentally, the milk will give it a glaze. Before grilling a mutton chop, plunge it into boiling water to seal the tissues and so retain the nutritive juices.

When soup is found to be too greasy, strain it through muslin previously dipped in cold water and held over a saucepan with a strong elastic band. The fatty substance will then adhere to the cold muslin instead of passing through.

When making toast, slightly heat one side of the bread and then the other, leaving all browning to the last, so allowing the moisture to evaporate.

When cooking vegetables, add a little butter or dripping to the boiling water, for it not only helps them to cook quickly, but prevents the water boiling over, besides bringing out the full flavour.

A spoonful of dry mustard in the washing-up bowl will effectively remove the odour of onions and fish from all utensils, also the hands.

If a spoonful of ground coffee is sprinkled on the red-hot bars of

Washing Silk Needs Care

WHEN washing silk, first shake the garments to remove as much dirt as possible, and then arrange white, light, and dark coloured articles in three separate heaps. Both washing and rinsing waters should be tepid. When treating dark coloured articles, soften with an ounce of borax dissolved in a cupful of boiling water for every gallon of water used.

Avoid rubbing and steeping, and squeeze the silk gently in good soapy water made with soap flakes or jelly. Do not shred soap direct into the washing water, for any piece that adheres to the garment being treated will cause yellow streaks.

When clean, hang up until the water drains off, but on no account must the article be twisted or wrung by hand. After the surplus water has been removed, roll the silk up flat in a fairly thick towel and leave for an hour or two before ironing.

Remember when washing coloured silks to add a quarter of a cupful of vinegar to the rinsing water to set and brighten the colours.

A few drops of methylated spirits into the final rinsing water will make the silk almost as glossy as when new. Ribbed or dark coloured silks are best ironed on the wrong side with a cool iron.

Warm water and a pure soap should be used for artificial silk, and a little ammonia or borax added if the water is hard. Squeeze and press gently in a slightly soapy lather, but avoid rubbing as the fibres are very delicate when wet. Heavy articles may be partly dried on a sheet or towel instead of being hung up, as this stretches the fabric.

Ann Thorogood

Different Sweets

HERE are three recipes for special-occasion sweets.

To make ginger cream, boil three-quarters of a pint of milk and pour over two eggs well beaten and mixed with three ounces of caster sugar and a teaspoonful of ground ginger. Mix up together and add half-an-ounce of gelatine and a few drops of essence of lemon. Stir over the fire, without boiling, till mixture is thick.

When cold, add three ounces of ginger pieces cut up small and a small tin of cream whipped up, or quarter of a pint or more of fresh cream whipped. Fill into a mould lightly oiled with salad oil. The oil makes it unnecessary to dip the mould in hot water before turning on to a dish.

Decorate with sweetened whipped cream on top and round the edge, and sprinkle with a little chopped or grated pistachio nut, or sugar coloured pink or green. To colour granulated sugar, put some in a saucer and mix in a little colouring. Store the surplus in a small corked bottle or covered jar until required again.

PEAR SPONGE

Make or buy a sponge sandwich and put together with apricot jam and pastry custard. Spread the top also with jam and spread thickly with custard, then arrange some tinned pears on it, tops converging at the centre and the outer side of the pears uppermost. Lay a few halved glass cherries down the centre of each pear and, preferably with a large rose pipe and bag, fill in the spaces with sweetened whipped cream, and again add a little pistachio nut.

For the pastry custard, put two ounces each of butter, sugar, and flour and two yolks of eggs in a pan and mix in half a pint of warm milk by degrees. Stir over the fire till thick without boiling. Leave to cool. Mix in two tablespoonfuls of cream or tinned milk and a little essence of vanilla or lemon.

BANANA BARQUES

Peel some rather small bananas, level off a little down the side of each and sprinkle them with lemon juice to prevent discoloration. Make the flattened side the top of each "barque." Lay some chopped lemon jelly (chopped with a large chopping knife on kitchen paper that has been held under the cold water tap) and pipe whipped cream into the centre of each, or make a border round the jelly.

Now in each boat hoist a sail made of rice paper and pierced by a cocktail stick. If you like, in some of the barques you can have the jelly coloured red, or with a large number use a variety of different coloured and flavoured jellies for effective colour contrast. A pretty arrangement is to set them round a large oval or round dish, all meeting in the centre in sunny effect.

Marjory Byvie

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Dictators Use Spanish War As Pretext

47 NEW NAVAL SHIPS IN YEAR

If the present rapid building schedule is maintained, more than 47 fighting ships should be added to the British Navy this year. The following vessels are expected to commission before the end of 1938:

Type	Tons
One aircraft-carrier	22,600
Three cruisers	27,300
32 destroyers	56,000
11 submarines	10,700

Total 47 Total 116,600

The aircraft carrier Ark Royal is due for completion in July. With a speed of nearly 31 knots, hangar space for 10 aircraft, and an armament of 16 4.5in anti-aircraft guns, she is the world's most modern floating aerodrome.

During the year the cruisers Liverpool, Manchester and Gloucester will come into service. They are sister ships of 9,300 tons, with a speed of 33 knots, and mount 12 6in guns and eight 4in anti-aircraft weapons, besides multiple pom-poms and many lighter pieces.

32 DESTROYERS

Of the 32 destroyers which will probably be ready this year, 16 belong to the large and powerful Tribal class, the heaviest torpedo craft so far built for the British Navy. In pre-war days they would have been rated as third-class cruisers.

They are ships of 1,850 tons, with a speed of 36 knots. The armament consists of eight 4.7in guns in twin turrets, eight smaller guns, and four torpedo tubes. This type was built as a reply to the super-destroyers of certain foreign navies.

The remaining 16 destroyers comprise the Javelin and Kelly classes, of 1,650 tons and 30 knots, armed with six 4.7in guns in turrets and 10 torpedo tubes.

MORE STILL TO BE BUILT

Among the submarines which will be completed this year are two large mine-layers, five ocean patrol boats and four coastal boats.

In addition to the 47 new vessels enumerated, nine minesweepers, escort vessels, and patrol units should be completed during 1938. When all these ships are in commission, the following will still remain under construction:

Five battleships of 35,000 tons, Four aircraft-carriers of 23,000 tons, Two cruisers of 10,000 tons, Five cruisers of 8,000 tons, Seven cruisers of 5,400 tons, Eight destroyers of 1,850 tons, Seven submarines of 1,100 tons.

All these vessels are scheduled for completion before the end of 1940. The building programme for 1938, to be announced in the near future, is expected to provide for a further 250,000 tons of battleships, cruisers and smaller craft.

Rajah Wants To Buy An Island

Calcutta. Raj Kumar Pratulla Kumar Bhattacharya, a thirty-two-year-old Maharajah of Swona, in the Central Province of India, wants to buy Swona Island, which is for sale for £1,000.

Since his beautiful twenty-eight-year-old wife died in England early in 1936 after an operation for appendicitis, Raj Kumar has been inconsolable.

A year ago he resolved to retire from the world, and sought for an island retreat in which to hide his grief.

Many offers from all over the world have been forthcoming.

TOO LARGE

The islands have all been too large or too expensive. When I showed the maharajah the story of Swona, he said "Just what I want."

"I must get in touch with the owner."

Raj Kumar is a former Cambridge oarsman.

When the maharajah died he was cremated at Golders Green, and his ashes, enclosed in a "casket" containing thousands of pounds of jewels cremated with her, were taken to India by air.

GOOD LUCK TENACIOUS

He is a former Cambridge oarsman.

NEW UNIFORM FOR SOLDIERS



TWO OF THE NEW STYLES of uniforms designed for the British soldier. They were on view at the Central London Recruiting Office, recently. Both will be tried out and compared by the Army Authorities this year.

Slandered, Attacked In Pullman Car

BEAUTY EXPERT AWARDED £830 DAMAGES

SLANDER and assault in a Pullman car by a woman described as a peer's daughter was alleged in the London Sheriff's Court.

Mrs. Molly Wheeler, a Wigmore Street beauty specialist, was awarded £832 0s. 6d. damages against the Hon. Mrs. Baxter, whose address was given as Kensington Court, South Kensington.

Judgment against her had been given in default in the High Court, and Under-Sheriff Burchell, and a jury assessed the damages.

The incidents complained of took place in the Pullman car of a London-Eastbourne train in which the two women, a princess and another man were travelling.

Mr. John Fennell (for Mrs. Wheeler) said the writ was served last July. Mrs. Baxter entered an appearance in August. A statement of claim was sent in November, but defence had not been delivered. Judgment was given by default on Dec. 3.

"It was an assault unprovoked and absolutely inexcusable and a slander of the foulest nature affecting the chastity of a lady of impeccable character," said Mr. Fennell.

FOREIGN PRINCESS

Mrs. Wheeler lived at Seaford and was a season-ticket holder on that line. It was natural to assume that nearly everybody on the train that evening knew her or knew of her.

Only July of last year Mrs. Wheeler travelled on the 7.45 p.m. train from Victoria to Eastbourne. She entered a Pullman and sat in front of Princess Irene Wiazniowska.

A man sat in the corner and just as the train was about to move Mrs. Baxter entered the compartment.

Mrs. Baxter looked at Mrs. Wheeler and the foreign lady and made some remark of which Mrs. Wheeler and the Princess took very little notice. She then went away and said something to an attendant.

She came back, was generally abusive and Mrs. Wheeler left the compartment and went down to a first-class buffet and sat there.

TROWN AGAINST DOOR

Mr. Fennell said that Mrs. Baxter followed Mrs. Wheeler and kept up a running fire of abuse and assault. She threw her bag against the door. She used these words: "You are a filthy, dirty, adventuress."

"I know you are a street woman and I am a peer's daughter."

Mrs. Baxter then grasped Mrs. Wheeler by the throat and an attendant came in response to Mrs. Wheeler's call for help.

Mrs. Wheeler's eye was scratched, she received bruises, suffered from nervous shock, and on her arrival home fainted.

Mrs. Wheeler was the wife of Mr. Andrew Wheeler, an American. They were married in 1926. He was a man of some position and wealth, but unfortunately died in 1928.

For Next World War

LAST MAYOR OF GIJON BELIEVES LONG FIGHT AHEAD

NEW YORK.

MAIN INTERESTS OF EUROPE'S DICTATORS—TOTALITARIAN AND COMMUNIST—IN THE SPANISH CIVIL WAR IS TO TRY THEIR NEW WAR MATERIAL AND TO EXPERIMENT WITH NEW MILITARY TACTICS IN PREPARATION FOR THE NEXT WORLD WAR. LAST MAYOR OF GIJON, TOLD THE UNITED PRESS UPON HIS ARRIVAL HERE TO LECTURE AND RAISE FUNDS FOR THE LOYALIST CAUSE UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE "SOLIDARIDAD INTERNACIONAL ANTI-FASCISTA" (INTERNATIONAL ANTI-FASCIST SOLIDARITY).

New offensive tactics," he said, "consist in the systematic destruction of every means of communications and transportation behind the lines. As in the case of Spain roads and railways lie in front of towns, this system in itself results in the utter destruction of the centres of population, as was evidenced at Guernica and Durango."

Simultaneously, the ex-mayor added, the tactics also consist in attempting "to instill terror among the civilian population. However," he said, "the result in Spain has been only to increase resistance due to the indignation of the victims, as happened in France during the World War."

In order to carry out this programme of armaments testing, Senor Mallada said, dictator states seem perfectly willing to extend credit to Franco indefinitely disregarding the fact that thus far payments have reached only about 30 per cent. of the costs accrued. These part payments, he observed, are now being made mainly by the shipment of foodstuffs from the north of Spain.

"We have definite information," he said, "that almost every day ships leave Bilbao and other northern ports fully loaded with beef, wheat, potatoes and garbanzos."

But a curious phenomenon has arisen from this system, he pointed out. "When the Loyalists held the northern territory, the farmers as a whole were inclined to be conservative. We paid them good prices for everything obtained and thereby kept them contented. Now however, these same farmers, we are informed, are showing very definite signs of rebellion against the Fascists as a result of Franco's system of confiscating their products."

Recalling the insurgent offensive in northern Spain, against which he took an active part, both as mayor of Gijon and as a soldier, Senor Mallada said that the Loyalist defeat was not because Madrid failed to do everything possible to aid the isolated northern forces but because the insurgents, concentrating every bit of man power in their drive on Asturias and the Basque provinces, had vastly superior war equipment.

HEROIC LOYALIST DEFENCE

"I can say with all modesty," he said, "that the Loyalist defence in the north was nothing short of heroic. As compared with the insurgents, we lacked everything—except valour. We even lacked a large number of planes which due to the non-intervention agreement Franco embargoed within its frontier."

Recalling the insurgent offensive against Gijon and other northern points, Senor Mallada said the rebel technique consisted first of a twelve-hour barrage with 10, 15 and 20 millimeter shells. "Then their planes methodically bombed the back area, including of course centres of civilian population. The attack itself was made by Moroccan shock troops directed by German technicians. The Italian troops stood aside meanwhile and then, if the attack was successful, they went through a pantomime of the same attack which was photographed in films to be later exhibited in Rome."

There were two theories at the time among the insurgent high command as to how the war should be conducted, according to Senor Mallada. Franco's foreign advisers said wanted to concentrate on the northern offensive in order to obtain the vast mineral resources of that district, "which totalitarian states need badly for their rearmaments programme." The Italians wanted to hasten the southern offensive in order to split Valencia from Barcelona, isolate Madrid, and thereby, they hoped, end the war as soon as possible.

SUCCESS, NO BENEFIT

The northern offensive was successful. But what did they get? When they came to the iron mines and smelting plants they found the British flag waving aloft. Wherever there was machinery, they found it completely useless as a result of our system of sabotage before and during the war.

Senor Mallada revealed that the Loyalists are now more active than ever in creating dissatisfaction and defection in territory held by the insurgent forces. "We have a much more effective system of obtaining information and intelligence behind the lines than the Fascists have. We are gaining more and more information about their plans and intentions."



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RADIO BROADCAST

(Continued from Page 7)

8.30 London Relay—The News.
8.50 The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.

Overture "Impressario" (Mozart);
Overture "Kling Liar" Op. 4 (Berlioz);
"Prince Igor"—Polovtsian March,
(Rimsky Korsakov). . . . Orchestra
conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

10.10 Songs by Richard Tauber
(Tenor).
Melodie (Rubinstein and Bernhoff);
Night And Day (From "The Gay
Divorcee"). Let Me Love You (From
"Night"). Clifford Grey—Jack Waller—
Joseph Tunbridge.

10.20 Rite de Coeur at the Piano.
Sweet And Lovely (Arnheim,
Tobias and Lemare); Many Happy
Returns Of The Day (Kennedy and
Dobson); "Sunshine Suite"—Medley.
... Rite de Coeur with Harry Jacobson
(Piano Duet).

10.30 Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—Alone Again (Woods);
A Melody From the Sky (From "The
Trail of the Lonesome Pine"). . . .
Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra
with vocal refrain: "Tango—My Love"
(Cobain and Kennedy); Quickstep—
"On The Isle Of Kithymiboko"
(Pola and Chase). . . . Henry Jac-
ques with His Correct Dance Tempo
Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Smoke Dreams
(Freud and Brown); There's a Fox-Trot
Look in Your Eyes Again (From
"Head over Heels"). . . . Peter Yorke
and His Orchestra with vocal re-
frain: Rent Party Blues (Ellington);
Doing The Voom Voom (Milky
Ellington). . . . Duke Ellington and
His Orchestra; Waltz—One Kiss in A
Million (De Rose and Lewis); Fox-
Trot—Love, Please Stay (Hayhurst
and Mayer). . . . Henry Jacques with
His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.
11.0 Close Down.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange
official summary issued at 12.30 p.m.
yesterday, says:

The market was again very quiet,
with very little business passing.

Manila was quieter.

Sales
Bank of East Asia \$30
Union Insurance \$35
China Underwriters \$2
H.K. Steamships \$104
Provident (Old) \$3.00
H.K. Lands debentures 4% \$100
Chinese Estates \$97
H.K. Tramways \$113.50
Peak Farms (Old) \$7
Star Ferries \$244
China Lights (Old) \$12.10
H.K. Electric \$114
Sankadan Lights \$144
Cement \$174
Sincere \$22.50
Wing On (H.K.) \$40
Wm. Powell, Ltd. \$0.80
Construction \$14.4
H.K. Govt. 3 1/4% 2% pm.
Wallace Harpers \$10
Merrimans (H.K.) 3/16
Sales
Hongkong Bank \$1,525
Rube \$7.50
H.K. Lands \$354
H.K. Electric \$304
Telephones (New) \$104
Watsons \$0.75/80
H.K. Docks ex. rights \$21.80
Antelope \$4.81
Atoka \$24
Bagulo Gold 20
Rubber Consol. 9.50
Coco Grove 42
Consolidated Mines 511
Demonstrations 334
P. L. 20
San Maurice 434
Sun Consol. 15
United Paracels 41

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Mar. 30		New York Cotton	
	Closing		
May	8.51/80	Opening	8.55/85
July	8.57/80		8.60/80
October	8.60/80		8.62/82
December	8.60/80		8.63/83
Jan. (1939)	8.62/82		8.65/85
Mar. (1939)	8.65/85		8.68/69
Spot	8.61		
The First Notice Day for May			
Cotton is April 20.			
New York Rubber		New York Sugar	
	Closing		
May	10.95/80	10.95/80	
July	11.05/80	11.05/80	
September	11.20/80	11.20/80	
December	11.50/82	11.50/82	
January	11.50/82	11.50/82	
Sales for the day: 6,640 tons.			
Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
	Closing		
May	87 1/2/88	80 1/2/88	
July	87 1/2/88	80 1/2/88	
September	87 1/2/88	80 1/2/88	
December	87 1/2/88	80 1/2/88	
January	87 1/2/88	80 1/2/88	
Saturday's Sales:			
22,809,000 bushels.			
Chicago Corn		Chicago Soybeans	
	Closing		
May	61 1/2/61	60 1/2/60	
July	61 1/2/61	60 1/2/60	
September	61 1/2/61	60 1/2/60	
December	61 1/2/61	60 1/2/60	
January	61 1/2/61	60 1/2/60	
Wholesale Wheat			
	Closing		
May	125/126	125 1/2/126	
July	125/126	125 1/2/126	
September	125/126	125 1/2/126	
December	125/126	125 1/2/126	
January	125/126	125 1/2/126	
Commodity Index: 50.59			

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purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors, passing the Ac-
counts, and electing Directors
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Hongkong, 11th March, 1938.

Engineers' Institute In Session

"In an institution of this nature it
is the quality of members and not
the number that matters," said Mr.
W. G. M. Wilson, Chairman, at the
annual meeting of the Institution of
Engineers and Shipbuilders yester-
day.

Mr. Wilson said the decrease in
membership was due to the fluctuat-
ing floating population and the in-
sistence of the Committee that the
Institution be run on lines laid down
by the regulations, which had result-
ed in some members having to absent
themselves.

Mr. Wilson said there had been a
small financial loss, although the
bar had done better business than
last year. This was due to the com-
plete renovation and refurbishing of
the rooms, and had it not been for
this a profit would have been shown.

Prof. Middleton-Smith made an
appeal to engineers to take a greater
interest and show a pride in their
own profession by helping the
Institution. Engineers were a scat-
tered body, he said, and he hoped
that during the year every effort
would be made to obtain their co-
operation.

Mr. J. Russell remarked that the
Institution should be, in principle
and practice, an association for those
who belonged to the professions
embodied under its name. He would
like to see the two great docks
coming together and showing a
greater interest in the Institution.

The Chairman said he had always
felt there was plenty of room for the
Institution in the Colony. It was
organised on the soundest of prac-
tices and, furthermore, it had plenty
of money. If the Institution could
be used more it would be a great
benefit to every engineer.

The following were elected officer-
bearers.—President, Prof. A.
Middleton-Smith; Vice-Presidents,
Messrs. E. Cock and B. D. Evans;
Secretary, Mr. W. F. Simpson;
Treasurer, Mr. J. A. Tarrant;
Librarian, Mr. F. J. Neill; Managing
Committee, Messrs. W. G. M. Wilson,
G. G. Saunders, C. Bond, W. F.
Simpson, M. A. Cairns, B. D. Evans,
F. J. Neill, J. W. Wells, W. Kuley,
E. Laidlaw, J. J. Foster and J.
Russell.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Mar. 30.
S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of
yesterday's markets:
Business news to-day was mixed.
The sale of two exchange seats at
\$52,000 each, which was the lowest
price obtained since 1918, was a
reflection of the current gloominess
on Wall Street. Gasoline stocks
declined after 18 consecutive rises.
Electricity production for the week
was more than 10% below that of the
corresponding week in last year.
Rubber and tin prices were weak.
There are fears that the American
recession may spread abroad.
Favourable factors included prospects
of swift aid for the railroads, the
fact that car-loadings were above
seasonal and the steel outlook has
improved.

S. C. & F. New York correspon-
dent cables:
Stocks: The market shows little
rallying power. We still believe that
a selling climax is necessary to end
the current phase, from which a
sharp technical rally should develop.

Cotton: The market resists well,
but has no bullish incentive and
traders are awaiting an improvement
in the industrial outlook. The
French monetary situation is un-
settling. There was a fair demand for
May at 8.50.

Wheat: Crop estimates are in-
creasing, while exports are smaller.
Corn: The situation is unchanged.
Rubber: UP-trends in price meet
with renewed selling, but there is
less pressure. The market is very
nervous, and factory interest is
negligible.

Sugar: The market is dull and
prices are easier in sympathy with
the London market.
Dow Jones Averages Mar. 29: Close
30 Industrials 101.92, 100.97
30 Railroads 12.35, 12.28
20 Utilities 12.35, 12.16
40 Bonds 84.31, 84.29
Commodity Index 50.59, 50.12

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St. George's Ball May Be Abandoned

Presiding Officer
Tells Of Loss
Governor Is
Patron

Presiding at the annual general
meeting of St. George's Society, held
in the Boardroom of the Hongkong
Jockey Club, Exchange Building,
yesterday, Mr. G. S. Archbutt an-
nounced that if the annual ball of
the Society was not sufficiently sup-
ported, it would have to be abandon-
ed. Referring to the charitable
work done by the Society, the
President remarked that expenditure
on relief work showed a reduction
compared with 1937.

Those present at the meeting were
Mr. G. S. Archbutt (President),
Hon. Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Vice-
President), Messrs. L. C. F. Bellamy,
P. S. Cassidy, W. A. Cornell, J. D.
Danby, V. C. Labrum, and C. C.
Roberts (Committee). Hon. Sir
Henry Pollock, Mr. E. Cock, and Mr.
Dixey also were present, the latter
representing the Secretaries and
Treasurers, Messrs. Linstead and
Davis.

The President said:
Gentlemen,—Before proceeding
with the business of the meeting, I
should like to place on record our
appreciation of the fact that His
Excellency, Sir Geoffrey Northcote
has graciously consented to become
Patron of this Society.

The report and statement of
accounts for the year 1937 have been
in your hands for the prescribed
period, and I propose with your
permission to take them as read.

The form of the accounts is
familiar to you, and an explanation
of differences between 1937 and the
previous year is given in the report.
I do not propose, therefore, to com-
ment at any length on the figures.
I should like, however, to make
reference to our charitable work.

Our main expenditure is on relief
work which, incidentally, shows a
reduction at compared with 1936. I
am pleased to say that we have once
again received a refund in respect of
financial assistance granted. The
whole of the amount of \$120 refund-
ed was received from one lady for
whom we were able to arrange a
passage to England in return for
services as a children's nurse.

THREE WOMEN ASSISTED
An unusual feature of the year's
activities was that of the persons
we assisted three were women, all
very deserving cases. I should like
to take this opportunity of express-
ing my appreciation of the assistance
and co-operation which we have
received from the Hongkong Benevo-
lent Society, the Police and the
British Legion.

The fact that grants and donations
were less last year than in the
previous year does not mean that
Donations for charity are not re-
quired. Calls on us vary from year
to year, and we can never tell what
the future will bring forth. I hope
that Members will respond as readily
as they have done in the past.

My predecessor expressed the
hope that the annual golf match
against the St. Andrew's Society
would be played by much more re-
presentative sides rather than by the
selected few as hitherto. The propo-
sition found favour with our old
"enemies" and the result was that
teams of 40 a side competed, but I
regret to say that once again we
were compelled to admit defeat,
although I understand that all par-
ticipating in the match thoroughly
enjoyed themselves.

We also played a most enjoyable
lawn bowls match against the St.
Andrew's Society, but here also we
were beaten. We shall have to look
to our laurels this year both at golf
and at lawn bowls.

MEMBERSHIP DECREASE
Our total membership does not
show any signs of increasing, in
fact, it is less than last year in spite
of the fact that 34 new members
were elected during the year under
review. It is a pity that of your
best to bring in new Members.

Here I feel that it will not be out
of place to inform members that this
year the Annual Ball resulted in a
small loss which your Committee
have agreed to make good. There is
not the slightest doubt that the loss
is the result of the success as a
function, but also as a means of
adding to our charitable funds.

Last year on St. George's Day a
wreath was laid at the Cenotaph, and
a wreath was also laid at the Cenotaph
on Armistice Day.
Before closing, I should like to
express my personal thanks to the
members of the Committee for their
help and assistance during my year
of office. In addition I should like to
add my grateful thanks to Mr.
Schmiedel, representing our
Secretaries, for his assistance, for his
assistance to me personally, and for his
assistance to the Society.

The report and accounts were
seconded by Mr. Bellamy and passed
unanimously.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS
The President proposed that the
Hon. Mr. Dodwell be elected
President for 1938. The proposal
was seconded by Mr. Archbutt and
was carried unanimously.

SOVIET TRAITORS EXECUTED

Airmen Shot Down
Attempting Escape

Helsinki, Mar. 30.
Five Soviet naval officers and three
sailors were shot at Haborovsk for
attempting to escape to Japan with plans
of Vladivostok harbour and fortifica-
tions.

At the time of their trial two pilots
of the Soviet Air Force seized a
plane and attempted to escape to
Chinese territory occupied by the
Japanese. They were two miles
from the frontier when planes over-
took them and shot the machine
down. Both fugitives were killed.
—Reuter.

LOYALIST ATTACK

Claim Insurgent
Drive Checked

Barcelona, Mar. 30.
It is officially stated that in addi-
tion to halting the insurgents on the
Fraga sector, the Loyalists launched
a counter-offensive south west of
Teruel and captured three hills near
Val de Cuencas. The Government
now dominates Masagosa Territorio.

An army official stated that the
military situation has changed fa-
vourably and the critical moment
has passed. "I think that to-day
marks the turning point in the
Aragon fighting," he added.
—United Press.

CINZA CROSSED
Barcelona, Mar. 30.
The insurgents have crossed the
Cinza at several points north of
Fraga. The Loyalists are resisting
strongly and repulsed several attacks
from the south.

Insurgent units between Fraga and
Lerida have established communica-
tions with an outpost at Lerida,
where they overheard a Loyalist out-
post transmitting orders to withdraw
the artillery. —United Press.

BRITISH HELPLESS TO STOP MURDER

Shanghai, Mar. 30.
Feeling is running high in British
military circles to-day as a result of
an incident this morning on the
Bridge over the Soochow Creek
dividing Hongkew from the rest of
the Settlement, when Japanese
soldiers beat an old Chinese man and
then threw him into the water.

The whole action was a full view
of the sentries of the Durham Light
Infantry who were on duty at the
end of the Bridge and who were
unable to leave their posts. They
were compelled helplessly to watch
the man being drowned, while the
Japanese soldiers laughed and cheer-
ed. —Reuter.

Dissension In Soviet

Secret Radio Station
Attacks Government

Riga, Mar. 30.
The secret Moscow radio station
again transmitted last night fierce
denunciations of the Soviet Govern-
ment.

Men and women speakers attacked
the Government for interfering with
the affairs of other nations in order
to create international chaos and an-
nounced a steady growth in the ranks
of the liberators which, they declar-
ed, would shortly make them a legal
party.

Jamming by a government station
slightly interfered with reception.
—Reuter.

PLANE CRASHES IN CEMETERY

Tacoma, Mar. 30.
An aeroplane crashed in a ceme-
tery to-day amid tombstones which
were completely demolished.
The pilot was uninjured and walk-
ed to a nearby farmhouse. —United
Press.

Pollock and carried.
The Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson was
elected Vice-President on the pro-
posal of Mr. Cornell, seconded by
Mr. Danby.
The following were elected to the
General Committee for 1938: Messrs.
L. C. F. Bellamy, J. K. Bousfield,
C. B. Brown, P. S. Cassidy, W. A.
Cornell, J. D. Danby, F. C. Hall,
V. C. Labrum, G. G. N. Tinson and G. G.
Wood.
Messrs. Linstead and Davis were
re-elected Secretaries and Treas-
urers on the proposal of Mr. Arch-
butt, seconded by Mr. Labrum.
It was decided that a wreath be
laid on the Cenotaph on St. George's
Day, April 25, this year.

POST OFFICE

AIR MAIL LETTERS
Air mail letters may be posted in
the ordinary posting boxes. They
should be clearly marked "By Air
Mail" and bear sufficient postage.
Insufficiently prepaid letters may be
taxed with double the deficiency or
forwarded by Steamer Service, at the
discretion of the Post Office.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE
Letters and Postcards for Europe
and South America are forwarded
"via Siberia" if so superscribed.
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Registered and Parcel Mails are
closed 15 minutes earlier than the
time given below (unless otherwise
stated, and where mail is adver-
tised to close at or before 9 a.m. reg-
istered and parcel mails are closed
at 5 p.m. on the previous day).

AIR MAIL SERVICES
Air Mail Services to Shanghai,
Nanking, Tientsin, Wientsin and Pe-
king are temporarily suspended.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—London date.		
24th March	Imperial Airways Plane	March 31
Bangkok and Swatow	Kwelyang	March 31
Japan	Nankin	March 31
Calcutta and Straits	Yuen Sang	March 31
Shanghai	Conte Rosso	April 1
Shanghai and Swatow	Klangau	April 1
Pakhoi	Liangchow	April 1
Japan and Shanghai	Naldora	April 1
Shanghai and Amoy	Tainan	April 1
Straits	Africa Maru	April 2
Japan	Behar	April 2
Haiphong	G.G. Paul Doumer	April 2
Australia and Manila	Nellere	April 2
Swatow	Newchwang	April 2

Air Mail by "Pan American Airways"
Direct Service—San Francisco date.

From	Per	Due
date, 25th March	Airways Plane	April 2
Japan and Shanghai	Sphinx	April 2
Shanghai	Houman	April 3

From	Per	Due
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways" Direct Service—London date.		
26th March	Imperial Airways Plane	April 3
Straits	Procellus	April 3
Shanghai, Foochow and Swatow	Soochow	April 3
Japan and Shanghai	Aeneas	April 4
Straits	Calchas	April 4
Tientsin	Yunnan	April 4
Straits	Balswain	April 5
Japan	Cremor	April 5
Java and Manila	Tjinegara	April 5
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KWANG-TUNG MENACE REVIVES

Rear-Admiral Okuma Back In South China

Canton, Mar. 30. Rear-Admiral Masaki Okuma, commanding Japanese naval units in South China, who was reported to have taken part in the Taihouku conference recently is now back in Kwangtung waters to resume the naval and aerial harassing of this province.

An unconfirmed report stated that a 15,000-ton Japanese battle-cruiser is coming to South China waters as flagship for Admiral Okuma. The total number of Japanese warships off the Kwangtung and Fukien coast is about seventeen.

A sum of \$20,000,000 is said to be at the disposal of reactionary agents to raise troubles here and that a coup was to break out on March 20, the Yellow Flower festival; but this event passed without incident. The police and gendarmes have the situation well in hand. The report of martial law proclamation is without foundation.

These reactionary elements are also engaged in secretly exporting wolfram from Canton, as it is useful for the manufacture of tungsten steel in connection with heavy armaments. Export of this mineral has been prohibited since the outbreak of hostilities, because all tungsten or wolfram is to be preserved for national use.

A Pakhoi report stated the famous French Foreign Legion has taken up patrol of the Indo-China-Kwangtung borders owing to the frequent reports of Japanese menace to South China. Some of the legionnaires speak English and are believed to be Americans and Englishmen.—Special.

ISLANDS ABANDONED

Canton, Mar. 30. The Japanese troops which landed on the Tai Lam and Shiu Lam islands located near Kan Mo off the Chungshan district coast. On the evening of March 27 they have been withdrawn to Sancho and Kaolan Islands, from where they came.

Five Japanese warships which anchored off Tai Lam and Shiu Lam islands have also steamed off.—Central News.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Reconstituted Milk

To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—With reference to the report in your issue of the 30th. March, dealing with the meeting of the Urban Council, wherein views and opinions besides By-laws pertaining to Reconstituted Milk were given considerable publicity. In order to correct wrong impressions which may be gathered by the public as a result of the statements made at that meeting by the Chairman of the Urban Council, we shall be pleased if you will kindly give this letter the same full publicity.

1. In reply to the Chairman's remark that "Reconstituted Milk is not 'Milk'," we say that Reconstituted Milk is "Milk." Milk undergoes physical changes by the separation of the milk fat which is turned into butter and by a system of evaporation the solids-not-fat are turned into powder known as skimmed milk powder. The water content of fresh cow's milk or raw milk is ordinary water having no features which are different.

The butter, milk powder and water in their correct proportions are recombined by a process of emulsifying and homogenising whereby the milk regains its original form. In order to differentiate between milk so formed and fresh cow's milk or raw milk it is generally referred to as Reconstituted Milk. This is rightly so, in order that the public may know what they are buying as it is impossible for them to distinguish between the two milks except by name. At this point we should like to emphasise that our company have at no time endeavoured to infer either by advertisement or otherwise that our product was other than Reconstituted Milk. We are proud of it. The public know what they are buying and it is for them to judge as to the merits of either product. The large dairy produce companies with capitals of millions of pounds sterling produce and sell milk powder in tins throughout the world, which by adding water is turned into milk again. No authorities or counsels to our knowledge have decreed that their products are not "milk."

CHIANG'S ESCORT FIGHTS

Generalissimo Near Disaster During Visit To Front

Hankow, Mar. 30. Narrow escape from death by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek during a recent visit to the Tientsin-Pukow Railway front was revealed to-day. While Marshal Chiang Kai-shek was travelling to Haichow on his own aeroplane escorted by 14 Chinese pursuit planes, 24 Japanese fighting machines suddenly appeared and attacked the Chinese machines. The attack occurred in the neighbourhood of Kweichow some hundred miles west of Hsuehchow. In the furious dog-fight, which ensued five Japanese machines were shot down and two Chinese aeroplanes were lost. The Japanese finally withdrew and Marshal Chiang reached Hsuehchow unscathed.—Reuter.

It is "milk," though not fresh cow's milk.

2. At a further part in the report the Chairman goes on to say "But the most important difference between Reconstituted Milk and ordinary milk is that the former does not contain some of the vitamins—for instance these known as vitamins B and C—which are present in ordinary milk, and which help to make ordinary milk such an ideal food especially for infants." In fairness, it should be here stated that ordinary milk when pasteurised loses vitamins B and C. The loss of these vitamins in milk by pasteurisation is one of the points which has raised the greatest controversy in the efforts of health authorities to compel that all fresh cow's milk should be pasteurised before sale to the public. Despite this loss, the leading health authorities in the world advocate pasteurisation of milk which tends to show that the loss is not vital to the nourishing qualities of milk either for infants or adults. The pasteurisation in our factory is directly in charge of a European.

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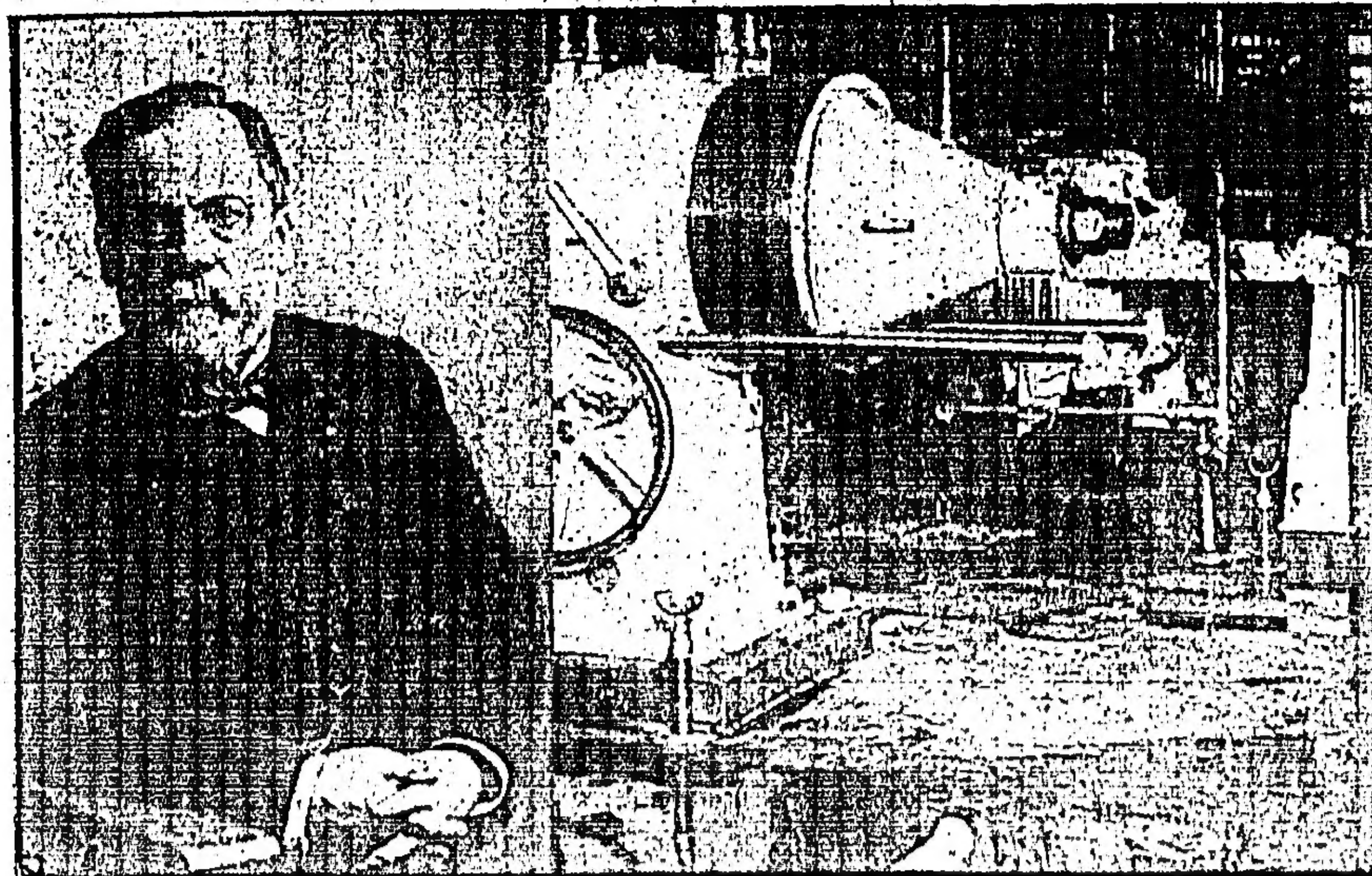
PASTEURISATION PROBLEM

Dr. A. de Basto's criticism of
the proposed legislation for the
compulsory pasteurisation of
reconstituted milk, which he
raised at the Urban District
Council meeting yesterday, was
timely and instructive, even
though, apparently, it made
little or no impression on the
convictions of his colleagues,
none of whom was disposed to
support his amendments. Never-
theless, the debate enabled the
public to gain a quickened ap-
preciation and knowledge of
what precisely is reconstituted
milk, and of the various issues
which have made pasteurisation
such a highly controversial sub-
ject.

An analysis of Dr. Basto's
speech leaves the emphasis
more on what he failed to prove
rather than the points he more
or less successfully scored. Dr.
Basto's chief contentions were:
1. Why trouble to pasteurise
milk constituents which have
already been made sterile? 2.
By enforcing this pasteurisation
the "little man", struggling in
competition with the heavily-
capitalised concerns, must be
put out of business, as he can-
not afford the expensive plant
needed for scientific and legal
pasteurisation; 3. Pasteurisa-
tion in Hongkong does not
automatically guarantee the
elimination of an infected milk
supply, simply because the pro-
cess calls for expert knowledge
of its mechanics, as well as ex-
pert supervision; 4. Is Hong-
kong in a position to satisfy
such requirements?

If at first sight logic appears
to bolster Dr. Basto's open-
ing point, the majority will
be inclined to adopt Mr. R.
R. Todd's view that it is
better to play on the
safe side, and, while going
through the heating process for
reconstituting milk to adopt the
technique of pasteurisation as
a safeguard against possible
infection during the time the
milk constituents were sepa-
rated. There might have been
more point to Dr. Basto's
argument had he demonstrated
that in the process of pasteuris-
ing reconstituted milk, valuable
food qualities were lost. But
no attempt was made to show
this, and presumably there are
no such effects.

This is of vital concern to the
users of reconstituted pas-
teurised milk, and in issues such
as those raised by the Urban
Council's proposed legislation, is
of far more importance than
the alleged illogicality of
pasteurisation, or the possible
elimination of the small in-
dividual competitor. Mr. Todd,
in his explanation of the new
legislation, admitted that in the
process of separating the con-



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PASTEURISATION: FOR AND AGAINST

By A Medical Correspondent

THERE are two main
questions in the milk
problem. Is it good?

The Urban Council is
answering the latter ques-
tion in its campaign to
persuade us that milk is
one of the most valuable of
human foods only when it is
pasteurised.

In spite of the enormous in-
crease in milk drinking at pre-
sent, the consumption is far less
in this Colony than in other
countries. Here, on an average,
we each drink only half a pint a
day. Food experts say that
while this may be enough for a
healthy adult children must have
at least one to two pints, while
expectant and nursing mothers
ought not to be satisfied with
less than two pints a day. In
the campaign against under-
nourishment increased consump-
tion of milk must play a very
important part.

BUT this vital food must
be free from infec-
tion and by one means or
another made safe, and at once.
There are two main ways in
which milk can become danger-
ous. If the cow is diseased the
milk, even before it has left the

stittuents of fresh milk, certain
vitamins are lost, but apparently
neither the medical profession
nor the scientists are satisfied
that this essentially depreciates
the milk as a vitalizing food.

More striking, because the of-
ficial reply was less convincing,
was Dr. Basto's query of Hong-
kong's possession of workers
with the required highly techni-
cal knowledge of the pasteuris-
ing process, or of experts
capable of supervising and in-
specting the work to ensure
freedom of contamination be-
tween the time the milk is taken
from the cow until its delivery
to the purchaser. Dr. Selwyn-
Clarke, the Director of Medical
Services, only generalised when
he said that health officers do
exist in the Colony who have
been specially trained for the
purpose of supervising pasteuris-
ation, while apparently, only
one man is known to the San-
itary Inspectorate who is "not
an illiterate coolie, but a man
who had received special train-
ing in the conduct of a pasteuris-
ation plant". Such assurances
do not compel a very deep con-
viction that the Sanitary
Department is in a position to
guarantee 100 per cent. effective
pasteurisation, and the Colony
will feel very much happier if,
and when, the Director of
Medical Services can offer such
a guarantee.

By and large, however, the
Urban District Council appears
to be justified in its insistence
upon compulsory pasteurisation
of reconstituted milk. It has
admitted the legality of such a
commodity and it has now done
its best to assure that users of
the milk will be safeguarded as
are those who use fresh milk.
—S.A.G.

udder, contains germs that may
seriously affect consumers.
Secondly, it may become con-
taminated by anyone who
handles it on its way from the
dairy to the home.

The obvious and ideal way of
preventing milk-borne disease is
to make sure that the supplies
come from healthy herds in
hygienic surroundings, and that
every precaution is taken that
no germ should enter the milk once
it has been drawn.

The alternative is to treat all
milk as potentially infected, and
to heat it enough to kill the
germs. Boiling alters the
flavour and to some extent the
composition. The cleansing can,
however, be achieved without
raising the temperature as high
as boiling point. The most com-
monly used method is to raise
the temperature of the milk to
145 deg. Fahrenheit, let it stay
there for half an hour, and to
cool it rapidly. This is "pas-
teurising" it.

THE position is much
better than it was.
For example, the bulk of Hong-
kong's milk supply—if not all—
is now pasteurised.

Those who oppose pasteurisa-
tion do so mainly on the ground
that it will allow producers to
neglect hygienic precautions.
They might rely on the process
to destroy the effects of sloven-
ly methods. Another objection
is that it impairs the nutritive

value, destroying the vitamins
and making milk less digestible.
As Lord Carnworth recently said
it remains a good beverage but
it is not milk. There is no doubt
that if there were no other food
for us to eat milk would be bet-
ter taken raw.

To these objections those who
want pasteurisation to be made
compulsory for all milk answer
that it will take many years to
make every milk-producing herd
free from tuberculosis alone. A
periodic examination, however
often it is made, commonly fails
to reveal disease in a cow that is
giving grossly infected milk.
About one-fifteenth of all raw
milk and some 40 per cent. of
dairy cows may harbour the
tubercle bacillus.

There is no reason why clean-
liness should not also be com-
pulsory, as it is if the milk is to
be "certified." Tests of samples
can easily reveal slovenly meth-
ods. Though a proportion of
the vitamins are destroyed an
experiment carried out by the
National Institute for Research
in Dairying showed that a pint
of pasteurised milk is only
slightly less nutritious than a
pint of untreated milk.

Vitamin C is the most affected
and only a fifth disappears, an
amount important only to child-
ren, which can be easily supplied
in a little orange juice. The
flavour cannot be very bad if
about 90 per cent. of the milk
in Hongkong and the large cities
is pasteurised without complaint.

Should Milk Be Pasteurised?

Around this question experts
to-day are arguing fiercely.

Here a doctor (who, for
reasons of medical etiquette,
is unable to sign his name)
gives the views put forward by
each side in support of their
case.

Louis Pasteur (1822-1895)
discovered that by raising the
temperature of milk to 145°
F., and keeping it there for a
period of 30 minutes, and
cooling it immediately to 55°
F. tubercular germs in milk are
destroyed.

The supporters of the method
point to the diseases that would
have been prevented if pas-
teurisation were compulsory.
The most important caused by
an infected cow is tuberculosis.
Of course, many of us can imbibe
and carry tuberculous germs
about with us all our lives with-
out ill-effect. But it is estimat-
ed that nearly 100 deaths every
week in Hongkong, mostly in
young children, are due to tuber-
cle bacillus, much of which may
be conveyed in milk or its pro-
ducts. It is the commonest
cause of tuberculosis of bones,
joints, glands and the digestive
tract.

BUT there are other
dangers. A single
dairyman who suffers from sore
throat, or who is a typhoid, dys-
entery, or diphtheria carrier,
may be responsible for a large
epidemic.

The British committee on
cattle diseases in 1934 gave a
list of outbreaks at Home known
to the Ministry of Health to be
due to human contamination of
milk which included 30 epi-
demics of typhoid, 14 of dysentery,
and 23 of scarlet fever. In 1929
one epidemic alone affected 1,000
families, with 65 deaths, all
traceable to infected milk. Even
first-class, clean milk is not free
from this risk without pas-
teurisation. Hongkong's dysen-
tery epidemic last year is too
recent to need comment. It was
due to infected milk.

IT should be no more
necessary to sterilise
our milk before we drink it than
it is to boil our water. But
there are three important dif-
ferences: milk has an animal
source liable to disease; it is
continually being handled; and
germs find it a good place for
breeding. For the drinking of
untreated milk to be entirely
safe—and partial success is use-
less—an enormous organisation
is needed, with local and health
authorities, veterinary surgeons,
and farmers closely co-operating.

There is a shortage to-day of
veterinary surgeons, and even
without this it would take years
for a perfect organisation to put
milk on the same level as water
for purity, to say nothing of the
human element and the carrier
problem. Pasteurisation is ex-
pensive, but it is safe. Until
tuberculosis and the other trans-
missible bovine diseases are
eradicated there seems no other
way of ensuring a pure and safe
supply.

Meanwhile neither children
nor adults should stop drinking
milk. But parents should in-
quire of their milk distributors
whether their supply is "tuber-
culin tested" or "pasteurised,"
and wherever there is doubt of
the purity of the supply the milk
should be boiled.

Observer

Fishermen's Money

DURING several years acquaintance
with the fishermen of the North-
East I have made observations and
collected stories regarding their
habits as financiers. From his own
point of view, first and foremost, the
fisherman is strictly honest, but, as
subsequent incidents will reveal,
that point of view is peculiarly his
own.

During a religious revival, one man
went into a shop and told the shop-
keeper that he had "put on the new
man." "Glad to hear it," said the
man behind the counter. "Perhaps
you will pay me the money you owe
me." "Oh, that's the old man," said
the fisherman, and hastily retired
from the unsympathetic environment.
When in possession of money the
average fisherman spends freely,
sometimes extravagantly, and if a
recent account is presented at the
time of plenty, it is likely to be paid
without demur. But if the account
is of long standing it is reckoned a
hardship to have to pay it at all,
and the hardship grows with the
length of credit. He does not usually
tender payment of an account, and it
is therefore prudent to present it to
him when he is in funds.

Safety in Distance

Once his money is deposited in the
bank it takes something in the nature
of an earthquake to dislodge it from
its safe resting. He may withdraw
it to buy a new boat or to have a
share in a new boat, but that is about
all.

A creditor who is pressing for
money finds it very difficult to dis-
cover where the money is deposited.
It is certainly not likely to be in the
nearest bank. It is more probably
in towns or villages many miles

away. If there are £100 to be de-
posited, the fisherman takes a
bicycle and goes to an inland village
ten miles away, and puts £50 into the
bank there. Then he cycles on to
another village, the same distance
farther on, and there he leaves the
remaining £50 with the banker.
The two sums are usually deposited
on the same day, and in due course
they will on the same day, be with-
drawn in order that the interests may
be compared and to ensure that the
bankers are taking no unscrupulous
advantage of the client.

Rents are particularly obnoxious
form of debt, to be paid only when
there is no help for it. Generally
the duty of making or evading the
payment falls upon the fisherman's
spouse, whose fertility of combination
of excuse and lofty rebuke is convey-
ed by: "You'll get your rent when
the Lord pleases to us." "And when
may that be?" "The Lord knows."

Limit to Injury

Other incidents show the working
of the fisherman's mind. A baker
told a friend of mine that he once
had an account of £50 against a
fisherman, an account spread over
many years. The baker had contin-
ued to give credit in the hope that
some day the amount at stake would
be paid up.

One day, however, the customer
called on him to ask for a loan of £20.
It was naturally refused. The fisher-
man pressed for the loan until the
baker lost patience with him and told
him that he himself was in straits
for money. "But you must lend it
to me," said the customer indignantly.
"Look at the amount of bread I buy
from you."

Scientist Urges Preparation Against Chemical Warfare

EVERY NATION SPENDING MONEY FOR GAS HORROR

CLEVELAND, OHIO. DECLARING THAT THE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY IS THE PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF THE UNITED STATES' MILITARY AND NAVAL POWER, DR. FRANK C. WHITMORE, PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, HAS ISSUED A WARNING TO THE NATION TO STOP "DOING THE OSTRICH ACT" AND PREPARE FOR CHEMICAL WARFARE AS A VITAL PART OF NATIONAL DEFENCE.

"Unlimited quantities" of chemicals, particularly hydrocarbons, he said, leave the country "better equipped than any other" for chemical warfare if it can overcome the tendency to regard the use of gases in warfare as not "nice."

"It is to be feared we are doing the ostrich act and are sticking our heads in the sand by holding down expenses on chemical defence, imagining perhaps that we can prevent the use of chemicals in war," Dr. Whitmore said.

"Every major nation," he added, "except the United States is spending very large sums on its chemical warfare service."

Dr. Whitmore spoke at a recent meeting of the Cleveland section of the society. Warfare, he said, was simply his application of all man's abilities, energies and facilities to the one objective of war. "Just as modern civilization in peace time is utterly inconceivable and would be impossible without chemistry, so in time of war we must become more conscious of chemistry, rather than less." Nobody, he said, had considered apparently whether a bayonet in warfare was "nice" or not.

Hydrocarbons, of which the United States has an almost unlimited quantity from its resources of coal, petroleum and natural gas, will be of vital importance in future wars, Dr. Whitmore declared. He envisaged a "quarantine" of the Atlantic and Pacific coasts by gas, making penetration by an enemy force impossible.

11,000 MILE NON-STOP

New Plane For U.S.

New York. "We must have supremacy in the air to maintain our line of battle," said Mr. Martin, the foremost aircraft designer and builder in the United States, before the House of Representatives. Answering questions regarding the vulnerability of battleships to aerial attack, Mr. Martin revealed that he was studying the plans of huge 142-ton fighting planes capable of reaching an enemy 11,000 miles away.

He said he saw no limit to the potential size of military aircraft. Mr. Martin strongly recommended the Government to test radically the new "aerial mine" invented by Mr. Lester Barlow which, he claims, will revolutionize air warfare. Mr. Martin added, "If Mr. Barlow's device is successful it will be pretty serious. It ought to have an immediate trial." He urged Congress to allot \$2,000,000 to \$3,000,000 for experimenting with the aerial mine and other ordnance inventions.

14 TONS OF BOMBS

He revealed that he had made additions to his plant costing \$500,000 to be able to build the proposed 142-ton bombers, which, he said, would dwarf the largest fighting planes now in existence. They would be able to cruise 11,000 miles at an altitude of 25,000 ft. at a speed of 380 miles an hour, carrying one and three-quarter tons of bombs. Over shorter distances they could carry 14 tons of explosives.

With one of the biggest types of warplane in the world has been the United States Boeing four-motored bomber, known as the "Flying Fortress," which weighs 15 tons and has a range of 6,000 miles.

But the United States Navy has been designing a 50-ton bomber with a range of 8,000 miles.

Discussing the relative defensive capabilities of battleships and warplanes, Mr. Martin told the Committee:

"I think it is more important for the United States to have the flexibility offered by aircraft than any other nation. We should have a larger percentage of warplanes with the fleet than others."

"FLYING FORTS" RECORD

New York. The six United States Army bombers—"flying fortresses"—have now completed their 12,000-mile good will flight to Buenos Aires and back. They covered the last lap from the Panama to Langley Field, Virginia, 2,170 miles, in 10 hours 30 minutes—an average speed of 204 m.p.h. This is believed to be a record for military planes of their type.

Mustard gas and Lewisite are two important war gases made from hydrocarbons.

HYDROCARBON RESOURCES

But the United States' hydrocarbon resources are important not only for the manufacture of gases, but for explosives, motor fuels, synthetic rubber for gas-masks and insulating materials, he pointed out. "One of the materials used in the manufacture of gun-powder and which caused much trouble during the World War because of its scarcity was acetone. Acetone is now available from the hydrocarbon gases of petroleum in amount inconceivable 20 years ago. War in the air may depend almost entirely on the quality of the fuel. We are in a position to make higher octane fuels in larger quantities than is any other nation. These developments have grown by leaps and bounds just within the last twelve months."

Aeroplane fuels, he said, are now available of a quality which would hardly have been dreamed of 10 years ago. Materials which sold for 25 dollars a gallon five years ago and were used only for experimental purposes, are now available for aeroplane use for less than 25 cents a gallon. Superior fuel oils for Diesel engines, he predicted, might in time of war mean the difference between victory and defeat at sea.

Spectacular developments in motor fuel now under way will give the United States a tremendous advantage in time of war, Dr. Whitmore asserted. But he urged better provision for chemical warfare in the nation's defence programme and the development of better explosives, predicting the rise of "a new explosive industry within the next few years."

MUSTARD GAS AND LEWISITE

Mustard gas and Lewisite, he said, are valuable defensive weapons which might be vitally important should an enemy army land in the United States. "Perhaps no nation would be foolhardy enough to land troops on our shores, but if it did it would be very comforting to have a considerable quantity of terrain between the enemy and us thoroughly sprinkled with mustard gas so that it would really be neutral territory and entirely unavailable to an aggressive enemy for purposes of advance."

"Both mustard gas and Lewisite are defence chemicals. Such a defence is effective mainly against infantry, but we should remember that no matter how helpful the man on horseback, in a tank or in an aeroplane may be, the final decision always rests with the man on foot usually working with cold steel. He loses his effectiveness in a terrain well saturated with mustard gas."

"Modern war is largely mechanized. This mechanization is largely dependent on electrical devices ranging from the ignition systems to air-plane and submarine detectors. All this complexity of applied electricity would be impossible without cheap and effective electrical insulation. Such insulation depends almost entirely on synthetic resins. These in turn come from our basic hydrocarbon supplies of coal, petroleum and natural gas."

MORE CLOTHING NEEDED

"In time of war more clothing is required. Most of our textiles come from non-hydrocarbon sources, but even here chemicals made from hydrocarbons come into play. For instance, the cheapest acetate acid comes from hydrocarbon acetylene, which is made either from the hydrocarbons of coal, petroleum or natural gas."

While the United States will probably never have to depend on hydrocarbons as a food source, other nations are already experimenting along this line, Dr. Whitmore said. Even in this country, the use of hydrocarbons in the manufacture of soap would leave more animal fats available for food purposes. Gas masks can be made from Thiokol and Neoprene, two artificial rubbers, which can be made from hydrocarbons.—United Press.

CHINA'S FIRST FILM STAR



CHINA'S MOST FAMED film star is Miss Nancy Chan, who recently played the leading role in "Fire Over China" which will be exhibited in America in the near future.

Inefficiency Charge Against The Admiralty

ADMIRALTY clerks have asked for an independent inquiry, at which they state they would produce evidence of "grave inefficiency" among the higher officials in the Service.

They allege that the inefficiency of many high officials in important departments is a "grave reflection on Admiralty administration," and offer to produce evidence of maladministration which, they say, persisted at Malta for more than three years.

The clerks' allegations are a reply to an accusation of "inefficiency" of members of the Civil Service Clerical Association, and are made in a letter which the General Secretary of the Association, Mr. W. J. Brown, recently sent to Sir Archibald Carter, Permanent Secretary of the Board of Admiralty.

"Perfect Girl" Search Is On

Hollywood.

The Hollywood search for the perfect girl of 1938 is on and it matters not if she is secretary or society girl so long as she meets the requirements.

The hunt is being conducted by Pete Smith, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "voice" behind the short subjects. When she is found, the perfect girl will appear in a screen specialty titled "Modeling for Money." To fix the set of standards, Smith called in James Montgomery Flagg, Howard Chandler Christy, McClelland Barclay, noted artists, and M. G. M.'s fashion expert, Adiam.

Basing his figures on those submitted by the artists and Adiam, Smith said the perfect girl to-day is: Height 5 feet 6½ inches Bust 32 inches Waist 20 inches Hips 36 inches Ankle 8 inches Calf 13 inches Thigh 20 inches Upper arm 9 inches Lower arm 12½ inches Wrist 6 inches Weight 128 pounds

The height for "Miss Perfection" was a compromise of opinions. But McClelland Barclay cast a dissenting vote on the hip and bust measurements, which, he contends, should be the same, returning to the hour-glass figure so popular years ago.

For perfect limbs, according to a cross-section of these artists' opinions, the calf should be twice the measurement of the ankle and the thigh approximately three times that of the ankle. The upper arm should measure about half the size of the thigh and the neck and calf measurements should be approximately the same. The wrist and ankle should be identical in measurements.

To top it all off, Flagg gave his definition of the perfect figure: "The harmonious relation of various body units according to the size of the individual. It is just as possible for a tall girl to have a perfect form as a short girl, although models generally are tall. The weight naturally would vary according to height."

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Talk by Empiro Director of B.B.C. CHILDREN'S HOUR

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H.K.T. 12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral. 12.30 Songs by Turner Layton (Bass).

I'm Just Beginning To Care (S. Simons); I'm Still in Love With You (Bratton & Edwards); Don't Play With Fire (Grey & Ala).

12.40 Harry Roy & His Orchestra. That Old Feeling—Fox-Trot (From "Walter Pong's Vagabond of 1938"); You Can't Stop Me From Dreaming—Fox-Trot (Friend-Friend); A Gift From Heaven—Waltz (Harry Roy); Spanish Lake—Rumba (From "Transatlantic Rhythm"); Margie—Quickstep (Davis-Conrad-Robinson); Avalon—Fox-Trot (Johnson-Rose); Oh! You Sweet Thing—Fox-Trot (Razaf-Waller).

1.0 Time & Weather. 1.03 Musical Comedy Selections. The Crest Of The Wave (Hussell & Ivor Novello); Rose Of England... Edgar Elmer (Baritone); Haven Of Your Heart... Olive Gilbert (Contralto); "Glamorous Night"—Selections (Novello)... Drury Lane Theatre Orchestra cond. by Charles Prentice, Mus. Bac; "Helen"—Vocal Gems (Words, Herbert); Music, Offenbach—arr. Kornfeld; Columbia Light Opera Company Columbia Light Opera Company Selection With Orchestra; "Fantasy"—Selection... New Mayfair Orchestra.

1.30 Heater & Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements. 1.40 Ravel "Bolero" and other Orchestral numbers.

"Bolero" ... The Lamoureux Orchestra Of Paris Conducted by Maurice Ravel. Schwanda (The Empire Player)—(Weinberger)... The London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Hamilton Harty with Harold Dwyer at the Organ; The Music Of The Spheres (Josef Strauss, Op. 235) The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Felix Weingartner.

2.15 Close Down. 8.03-11.0 Chinese Programme. 5.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hong-kong Hotel.

(a) Remember Me?; (b) Bob White; (c) Here comes the Sandman; (d) You Can't Stop Me From Dreaming.

5.15 Interval of recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W. 5.20. (a) A Foggy Day; (b) Things are looking up; (c) Nice work if you can get it; (d) The Dippy Doodle.

5.35 Interval of recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W. 5.45. (a) Am I In Love; (b) Be a good sport; (c) So Many Memories; (d) Wadlin' at the Walder.

6.0 Studio—The Children's Hour. 7.0 A concert by Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano) and Mischa Levitzki (Piano).

Eccosaise (Beethoven); Sonata In A Major (Schubert); Mischa Levitzki; Bar Vagabond (Tauber, adapted by Karl Alwin); Was I Hab (Carl Beum)... Elizabeth Schumann; La Campanella (Paganini—Liszt)... Mischa Levitzki; Vogel Lied, Op. 41, No. 4 (Weingartner); Caprice Viennois (Kreisler)... Elizabeth Schumann; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12 (Liszt)... Mischa Levitzki.

7.32 Closing local Stock Quotations. 7.35 Variety. Humorous—Backscratcher (Max Miller); Imps (Max Miller)... Max Miller; Accordion Band—Six Hits Of The Day No. 10... Primo Scala's Accordion Band with vocal choruses; Vocal—Vienna Bonbons; Waltz Song (Joh. Strauss—H. Bodensiedt); Gipsy Love (Lehar—Willner-Bodanzky); Joseph Schmidt (Tenor); Orchestra—"The Gay Nineties"—Waltz Medley... New Mayfair Orchestra with vocal refrain.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements. 8.03 Chinese Programme—Studio Concert. 11.0 Close Down. Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles. 8.03 Concert Waltzes. Castanets (Willy Elshartz); It Happened In Vienna (Ferry Muhr); Orchestra—Mascotte; Ever Or Never (Waldteufel)... Orchestra Mascotte.

8.15 London Relay—A Talk by the Empire Programme Director. 8.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog".

Mr. Wilkes at home in his own parlour. Presented by Pascoe Thornton and S. E. Reynolds. 9.0 Military Band Selections. Mirella—Overture (Gounod, Arr. O'Donnell)... The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band conducted by B. Walton O'Donnell; The Jolly Robbers—Overture (Suppe)... The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band conducted by B. W. O'Donnell.

9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs". A talk by J. L. Briery, O.B.E., Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of London. (Continued on Page 4.)



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ISLINGTON CORINTHIANS HELD TO DRAWN MATCH

By "The Pilgrim" Weekly Hockey Notes

SAINTS
OVERCOME
H. K. LADIES
Win Replay For
Southern Cup

St. Andrew's played fast and fine hockey to defeat the Hongkong Ladies by one goal to nil at King's Park last Saturday in the replay for the runners-up position in the Czer Clark Cup.

There was scarcely a weak link in their team. Their inside-right, Miss E. Churn, schemed the way to victory, when after five minutes play in a brilliant movement she sent Miss P. Gilling through to beat Mrs. Lanson with a first timer which left the Hongkong Ladies' front line standing. From the start, the skill and speed of the Saints' front line caused the Hongkong Ladies' defence much trouble. Ten Hongkong Ladies, however, fought with fine determination and although they were more or less held their own in the second half, they were kept almost entirely on the defensive.

When the game was 15 minutes old, Miss M. Smalley, the Hongkong Ladies' centre forward, missed a glorious opportunity of putting her side on level terms. With Miss J. Hall at her mercy, she shot straight at the Saints' goalie from three yards range. The latter, cool and collected, saved the situation with a brilliant clearance.

HALVES PROMINENT
In the second half Miss Furlin on the left wing worked hard but her ball control left much to be desired. On the other hand Mrs. Propriet at inside left harassed her movements on many occasions by getting in her way. The Saints' half back line again showed up prominently. Misses Lawson, J. Wong and Reid forming a perfect combination. Miss C. White was a power at right back and Miss J. Broadbridge, although slow with her recoveries, also did well. Miss J. Hall, between the sticks, when under pressure, showed great coolness and if it was not for her splendid anticipation the Hongkong Ladies might have pulled the game round in the closing stages. Miss P. Gilling, the Saints' leader, was well looked after by Miss Pope, but all that was expected of her. Misses E. Churn, S. Roberts and F. Wong were also in fine fettle.

For the Hongkong Ladies, Miss M. Smalley was the most dangerous forward but the rest of the line were weak. Miss Pope, at centre half, and Miss Helbling, at left back, were the outstanding defenders. Miss Green was also entitled to praise for the way she held the fast Saints' right wing combination. Mrs. Lanson was her usual self in goal and can hardly be blamed for the shot that beat her.

The Saints are to be congratulated on their victory. Just lately they have been hitting the high spots. The Southern Cup is theirs once again, they were deprived of it two seasons ago. A slippery surface and a few spills made the game quite exciting at times.

Sudden
Ground For
Trial MatchThree Combinations
Of Full Backs

It is true that the rain which fell overnight made the ground slippery for the Interport trial last Sunday morning, but the selectors are to bear in mind that such conditions might prevail on April 17 when the game takes place at King's Park.

Several players gave a very good account of themselves whilst others were apt to lay the blame on the slippery pitch. In my opinion the ground was rather bad, but not too bad for good hockey. It is entirely up to the players to adapt themselves to such conditions. Several changes were made in both teams after the interval—after a goalless first half—and taking everything into consideration, the game was quite interesting. Both goalkeepers were in brilliant form, though Dobson for the Colours was called upon to do the lion's share of the day's work. He conceded a goal in the second half, but otherwise he demonstrated only one weakness, that of stopping the ball first instead of clearing it first time with his feet. A fast forward will beat him to the ball if he does not remedy this fault.

Ramzan, as usual, demonstrated keen anticipation and never seemed to be in difficulties. I am rather inclined to think that Dobson has the "hair match" temperament and should secure his first Interport cap. A great deal will depend on their performances next Sunday morning when a final trial will be held.

BACKS SHINE

Of the two sets of backs on view, Guest and Stickley (Whites) seemed to be the steadier and again Ghulam Rasool and J. Gonsalves were made to bear the brunt of a faster attack.

In the second period, Gonsalves partnered Guest for the Colours and also formed a good partnership with the latter.

The selectors should have a choice of three combinations:—Guest and Stickley; Ghulam Rasool and Stickley; and Guest and Gonsalves. Any of these three pairs should form a solid line. The last-named pair are old Interports.

With regard to the halves, Whetton, W. A. Reed and Malik formed a formidable trio for the Whites. These three in my estimation should be the choice for the Colony Intermediates. M. H. Hassan, for the Colours, was well up on W. A. Reed during the closing stages of the game but this was probably due to the hanging over of Neave and Whetton. I should like to see Hassan given a trial at right half. Both attacks were a problem and I am certain the selectors were no wiser when positional changes were made on resumption.

Where the Whites were concerned, Gurbachan Singh and S. A. Fowler, the right flank combination, were more impressive than Mackenzie-Kennedy and Douglas for the Colours. (Continued on Page 9.)

SECOND
INTERPORT
TRIAL GAMEPlayers Selected
For Sunday

The following players have been asked to take part in the Second Interport trial on Sunday morning: Whites: Dobson (R.E.); J. Gonsalves (Recreio); Stickley (Midsex); M. H. Hassan (Radio); W. A. Reed (Club); and M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.); Mackenzie-Kennedy (R.S.); Douglas (R.S.); Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.); Pariaub (K. Rifles); and Narain Ram (Rajputana Rifles).

Colours: Ramzan (K. I. C.); Wallace (R.A.F.); and Ghulam Rasool (Rajputana); McLellan (Y.M.C.A.); Gorman (Midsex); and Spencer (Navy); S. Fowler (Club); G. Singh (Radio); Chatter (Midsex); and Withworth (Navy).

Players are requested to be on the Club ground, King's Park, at 11 a.m. sharp on Sunday morning. Those unable to turn out are to inform Mr. G. T. Palmer, the Hon. Secretary.

Tennis

W. C. HUNG
EXTENDED
BY CHOAPleasant Match
To Watch

(By "Veritas")

Much more in keeping with the type of play expected from Colony championship matches was yesterday's encounter in the second round of the Colony singles tennis title between W. C. Hung and George Choa, won by the former after a fascinating contest by 6-2, 4-6, 7-5.

Choa, one of Hongkong's most promising young players, had a grand opportunity of snatching victory when he led Hung 4-3 in the final set with service to follow. But service in that set had been a boomerang to both players, and it was not altogether surprising when

Dominion Students
Beat Hospitals

London, Mar. 30.

In a rugby match played today, Dominion students defeated a United Hospitals' fifteen by 14 points to five.—Reuter.

he lost his delivery for Hung to square the set at a vital stage. Even then the result was very open. Hung went to 5-4 on his service, but Choa came back strongly to level in the tenth game, and he fought every point with great courage, and no small degree of ability, until the end, when Hung's superiority from the forecourt carried him to victory.

It was in every respect a pleasant match to watch. From the baseline Choa was Hung's equal, driving strongly and with a polished action on both hands. If Hung thought he would find a weakness in his opponent's backhand, he was sorely disappointed. If anything Choa was more dangerous on this wing, his passing shots being of a high quality. Choa revealed that he had captured the secret of taking an early ball on the run, and though he would probably find this a more effective attacking shot if he hit the ball with a flatter racket on the forehand, his top-spirited shot was very well made and gave Hung plenty of trouble.

GREATEST SHORTCOMING

Choa's biggest shortcoming was ignorance of tactics. For some unaccountable reason he placed great faith in a drop shot, which was not only faultily produced, but which lacked accuracy and the element of surprise. Hung was able to reach the majority of these shots and to turn them to his own advantage.

Secondly Choa did not mix his shots enough when playing on the defensive. He endeavoured to pass Hung with drives all the time, until Hung was able to anticipate their direction and to cut off the shots with beautiful volleys. Choa definitely needed to lob in the latter stages of the match, for smashing at such a crucial time is far more hazardous than volleying as Choa found to his own cost when Hung tossed them up from the baseline.

The loser revealed a pleasant style and has a most promising technique. But if he intends to rely to any extent on the drop shot he should (Continued on Page 9.)



R. P. Tarrant, the Islington Corinthians' Irish International, in a tussle for the ball with Lee Kwok-wai yesterday at Caroline Hill when the tourists played their return match with the South China A.A. The result was a draw of 1-1. (Photo: Mee Cheung.)

Badminton League

Undergraduates
Annex First Of
Play-Off Games

(By "Veritas")

Variable indeed was the badminton at Taikee Club last night between the Hongkong University and Chinese Y.M.C.A., in the first match of the triangular play-off series for the "A" Division league championship, which the University won by the handsome and indisputable margin of seven games to two.

The match was won and lost in the first three games, which were secured by the Varsity in convincing style. The Y.M.C.A. never looked like recovering from such a disastrous start, and their winning of the fourth game was simply a delay of the inevitable result. The University clinched the issue in the sixth game to lead 5-1.

The badminton was decidedly patchy, a considerable amount of poor play being only partially compensated by bursts of brilliance by both teams. The University pairs were far and away the more dependable, and even gave the impression they had something in hand. Neither as a team, nor individually, were the Chinese Y.M.C.A. able to settle down to play that brand of game which has made them one of the most formidable combinations in the Colony.

WONG'S UNFORGIVABLE MISTAKE

Perhaps Patrick Wong's below-standard display had its psychological effect upon them. Wong, only half as accurate as usual, and committing unforgivable sin of "poaching", seldom touched his best form. P. K. Hui, in the first game of the evening, was more than a match for him tactically, and in all other respects comparison between the two players was in Hui's favour. The Varsity star was almost faultless in this particular encounter, smashing with terrific severity and with impeccable accuracy. K. L. Yung too, was a fine helpmeet, skilfully juggling with the "bird" at the net, and creating all the openings his partner needed for the winning kill.

Wong and Hui would have shown up very much better if Wong had not appeared perfectly capable of holding his own in the long rallies, and more than once he flashed out a decisive finishing shot for a point. But Wong, by his demand to cover the entire court, left his partner badly out of position on several occasions, and ruined whatever teamwork they might have developed during the season. This was the essential cause of their defeat.

University never looked back from this encouraging start. C. O. Lee, whom I have not seen in action since he led the Elliot Hall team four seasons ago, dominated the second game with his unanswerable smashes, and cunning placements, and he also played well against Wong and Hui.

PENALTY SAVES
THEM AGAINST
SOUTH CHINA
INTERESTING BUT NOT
OUTSTANDING SOCCER

(By "Abe")

Even the Islington Corinthians themselves must have been satisfied with their reception at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon in their return football match with the South China A.A.; a huge crowd, including a big contingent of schoolboys, turned up to see them play a draw with the home side in a game which, if not really outstanding, was always interesting because the issue was open up to the final whistle.

Had Mr. Miller not been fouled in the penalty area ten minutes after the resumption of play in the second half, the Chinese might have won the encounter, for their defence was good and turned back the Corinthians' attack time and again. It was conceivable that it might have prevailed right to the end. But the foul resulted in a spot kick being awarded to the Corinthians. George Pearce converted with a drive which gave Tam Kwan-kon no chance to save; and the lead earned by the Chinese shortly after the commencement was thus lost.

The eight hard matches played by the tourists in Manila plus the rough voyage which they had just experienced—they arrived only yesterday morning—must have affected them to some extent. There was not the same snap in their play as in their first visit here and if their defence was as solid as ever, their attack certainly failed to shine. Even Johnny Sherwood, usually so dangerous a centre-forward, was as innocuous as the rest; the attempt he made to shoot could be counted on the fingers of one hand.

GOOD HALF-BACK

Once again the greatest strength of the Corinthians lay in their half-backs, Wright, Whitaker and Bradbury. While Whitaker, completely bottled up Chan Tak-fai, who has been so prolific in his scoring lately, the wing-halves not only carried out their defensive duties effectively but also found time to help in the attack.

The tourists were at fault in their failure to emphasise their superiority in terms of goal, especially in the first half when they were attacking continually, but the wing-halves were definitely not to be blamed for this. They did their share of feeding; only the forwards, Tarrant, Sherwood and Miller, failed to profit by their passes.

"Pat" Clark and Buchanan formed a solid pair of backs and let little get past them, but apart from the shot which beat him and the gathering of a few long punts by the Chinese forwards, Longman was not unduly troubled.

The Chinese attack consisted of four members of the all-conquering South China "B" side. The outside right, Tang Kwong-sum, who has not been in too well with the team, did not fit in too well with the rest and was the weak link in an otherwise quite effective line. He did not quite seem to realise the moves of his colleagues quickly enough. It was on the left where the greatest Chinese threat lay. Lee Shek-yau and Lau Chung-sang understood each other's play very well, but the former, possessor of a terrific left-footed drive, did not shoot often enough. He was responsible for the Chinese goal ten minutes after the start, but in the second half he missed a glorious opportunity of putting his side two up when, instead

CROWDING THEIR GOAL

Concentrating as they did on defence, little was seen of the Chinese intermediates in attack. Their policy of crowding their goal paid them, however, and Lau Hing-choi and Lee Kwok-wai particularly were successful in preventing the Corinthian forwards from being dangerous. The two backs, Mak Sul-hon and Lee Tin-sang, were steady without being particularly brilliant, but the goal-keeper, Tam Kwan-kon, was in magnificent form, making some fine saves.

The Chinese pressed strongly towards the end of the game, but the fine Corinthian defence kept them out. It was just as well that the injury to Whitaker came so late, otherwise the Chinese might have succeeded in breaking through.

Teams:—

Islington Corinthians.—Longman; Clark, Buchanan; Wright, Whitaker, Bradbury; Reed, Tarrant, Sherwood, W. Miller and Pearce.

South China A.A.—Tam Kwan-kon; Mak Sul-hon, Lee Ting-sang; Leung Wing-chiu, Lau Hing-choi, Lee Kwok-wai; Tang Kwong-sum, Ng Po-kul, Chan Tak-fai, Lau Chung-sang, and Lee Shek-yau.

Home Football

Huddersfield
Beaten By
Portsmouth

London, Mar. 30.
Portsmouth, at present at the bottom of the table, won two important points to-day by beating Huddersfield at home by three goals to nil in the First Division of the English Football League.

Results of matches played to-day are:

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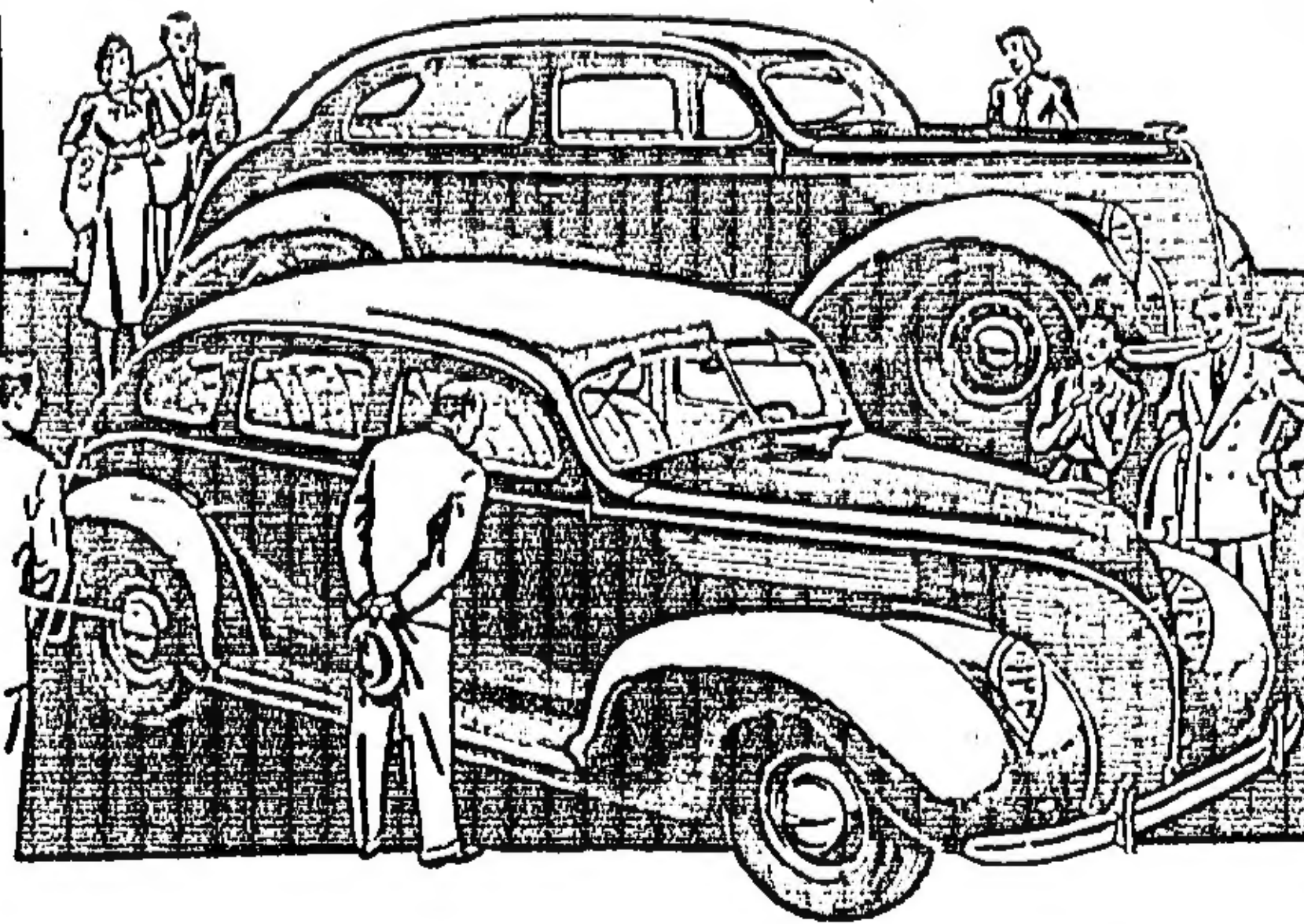
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Neusel Fight Date

Ben Foord, South African heavy-weight, will definitely fight Walter Neusel, the German, in Hamburg on April 10.

Promoter Gratenau, of the Hansa-Halle, Berlin, obtained Foord's signature in London last month.

Foord's purse has been increased from £1,000 to £1,850 win, lose or draw. The money, in English currency, will be deposited in a London bank before the fight. It is understood that Neusel, who receives no purse in marks, will receive slightly less.

Foord will leave for Germany early in April to complete his preparation.

CHAMPIONSHIP BOUTS

Welter And Lightweight Titles At Stake

New York, Mar. 29. The American Boxing Commission have arranged three title bouts for the welterweight and lightweight championships of the world. On May 20 Barney Ross will defend his welterweight title against Henry Armstrong, and on July 26 the winner will fight Lou Ambers. In the event of Ross winning the first fight, he will defend his welterweight title against Ambers. If Armstrong wins he will seek the lightweight crown from Ambers. If Ambers is beaten on May 26, he will meet Ambers on September 14 for the lightweight title.—United Press.

Heavyweight Bout

Wild Bill Boyd, 189 lbs., former heavyweight champion of the Navy, knocked out Bob Nestell, 186 lbs., of Los Angeles, in the first round of a ten-round contest at Seattle to-day. Only three punches were needed. Chuck Crowell, 222 lbs., of Los Angeles, secured a technical decision over Johnny Erpevas, 179 lbs., of St. Paul, in the eighth round of a ten round bout at Los Angeles.

Points Decisions

Jackie Berg, 145 lbs., of London, beat Frankie Wallace, 140½ lbs., of Cleveland, on an eight round bout at New York. Eddie Brink, 138½ lbs., of Scranton, Penn., won on points from Al Roth, 139 lbs., of New York, in eight rounds, also at New York.—United Press.

RECREIO SNOOKER

The final of the Club de Recreio snooker championship was played last night, when A. P. Pereira beat J. C. Henriques by 17. Pereira won the first four frames and Henriques the last. Final scores were 210 to 199.

SCHOOLBOYS' SOCCER

The Ellis Kadoorie Indian School defeated Wanchai School seven goals to one at Causeway Bay on Tuesday.

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ADMIRAL AT HELM

Sir Percy Noble Sails In Yacht Race

Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China Fleet, was at the helm of Nereld II, in the sweepstakes race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of nine miles. He finished eighth.

Leaders in the three classes were Colleen, Redshank and Heron. "11" class started at 14.40, "A" class at 14.45 and mixed classes at 14.50.

"H" Class		
Colleen (E. d'A. Staupion),	Finished 10.30.05	Corrd. Pos. 16.29.35
Aerie (Mrs. L. Drummond),	10.31.33	2
Dorothea (Mrs. L. Drummond),	10.32.32	3
"A" Class		
Redshank (R. H. Bower),	10.43.11	1
Artelia (S. Berg),	10.43.58	2
True Blue (Miss L. Smith),	10.46.10	3
Joni (Northcott),	10.49.10	4
Jenni (G. C. G. G.),	10.51.00	5
Painted Lady (M. T. L. Wilkinson),	10.51.50	6
Teal (J. E. Doon),	10.53.41	7
Nereld II (Sir Percy Noble),	10.53.14	8
Carpenter (Mrs. P. R. Richards),	10.56.14	9
Kittiwake (D. N. F. F.),	10.57.41	10
Eve (Misses),	10.58.00	11
Mixed Classes		
Heron (W. S. Hall),	17.14.30	17.13.00 1
Owl (Miss V. A. Buckley),	17.21.05	17.20.35 2
Alba (W. A. Ingram),	17.27.41	3
Geal (S. Smith),	17.40.50	17.31.50 4

GOOD SHOOTING

Despite Awkward Wind On Ranges

The shoot held by the Hongkong Rifle Association on the Army Ranges yesterday was marked by an attendance of 112. Conditions were tricky, and there were 15 scores of 90 and over in the S.R. (b) class.

Concurrently with the spoon shoot, the Middlesex shot for a Cup presented by Major Steers, retiring secretary, to be competed for annually with the 1914 rifle. There were 16 competitors, the winner being Sgt. P. Hale with 92. Leading scores were as follows:—Sgt. P. Hale 92, Capt. W. Newton 91, Capt. R. T. Gueat 91, C.S.M. R. H. Challis 89, Pte. A. H. Cox 88.

Leading scores in the spoon shoot were:

S. R. (b)	200	500	600	Aug.
C.P.O. Griffin (S.R.)	33	31	31	95*
P. O. Clark (2)	32	29	33	93
L. Sea Knight (4)	31	31	33	93
Capt. Robertson (4)	29	33	30	93
G. H. Hale (S.R.)	29	31	31	92
G. H. Latham (2)	29	32	29	92
Blond Jones (S.R.)	29	29	30	92
Mid. Farrant (3)	31	33	28	92
H. W. Gray (S.R.)	29	32	29	92
Capt. Newton (5)	30	31	30	91
Miss. Heather (1)	31	30	30	91
P. A. Johns (4)	31	30	30	91
Capt. Gueat (1)	31	32	29	91
Cd. G. Moody (S.R.)	32	31	29	91
P. C. Churn (S.R.)	31	30	30	90
Stoker Robinson (6)	30	31	29	89
Gnr. Morahan (6)	31	29	29	89
S. S. M. Street (7)	29	28	31	89
S. R. (a)	27	25	30	82*
Sgt. Dunville (6)	29	26	27	82
Cpl. Dunn (1)	28	27	27	82
Sgt. Daniels (6)	28	26	27	82
Cpl. Ritchie (5)	28	26	27	82
Cpl. Hater (1)	28	26	27	82
Pte. Moss (4)	28	26	27	82
Sgt. Matheson (7)	28	26	27	82
A. H. Winder (1)	28	26	27	82
Miss. Webster (13)	28	26	27	82

EMPIRE BOYS SHOOT

South Africa Scores In King George Trophy

London, Mar. 30. South Africa has won the King George V Trophy for rifle shooting for boys throughout the British Empire, scoring 87 of a possible 100. Britain was second with 82½ and New Zealand third with 77.

Over 3,500 boys, who all scored more than 80, will be known as Empire Marksman, and 2,000, with 85 will be known as first class shots. —Reuter Bulletin.

INTER-UNIT CRICKET

Middlesex Gain Big Lead Over Royal Engineers

At the close of the first day's play in the Army inter-unit cricket final at the Kowloon Cricket Club, the Middlesex were in a commanding position. On the first innings they led by 90, to which C. S. M. Northcott contributed a brilliant 89.

In their second venture at the wicket, Engineers had lost three for 15 when stumps were drawn. The match will conclude to-day.

Scores: Royal Engineers: 98 and 15 for three. Middlesex: 104 (C. S. M. Northcott 89).

MATCH IN COLOMBO

Australians Draw in Game Against Ceylon

Colombo, Mar. 30. The Australian Test team on its way to England drew with Ceylon to-day.

The tourists declared at 307 for nine. Hassett knocked off 116, including three sixes and 13 boundaries, and Badcock also scored 110, including one six and 15 boundaries. They stayed together to compile 217 in 95 minutes for the third wicket. Ceylon replied with 114 for seven when rain stopped play.—Reuter.



The St. Andrew's Ladies' Hockey team, winners of the Southern Cup. Front Row (left to right)—Misses F. Wong, E. Churn, P. Gillins, S. Roberts and M. Churn. Middle Row—Miss June Hall. Back Row (left to right)—Misses J. Broadbridge, P. Lawson, J. Wong, G. White and H. Reid.

Weekly Hockey Notes

By "The Pilgrim"

Sudden Ground For Trial Match

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Colours. Fowler was later seen with Douglas but both failed to impress.

SUGGESTED ATTACKS

Pritam Nath (Whites) leader, is the obvious choice but I am given to understand that he will not be here for the Interport. His opposite number, Capt. Loch, found the ground too heavy for his liking, and could make very little headway when the occasion arose. Pyara Singh and Parthab (Whites) had a better understanding than J. Pinto and Gopal Ram (Colours). Parthab was also seen at inside left but was very uneasy in that position. In view of Pritam Nath's departure I would suggest the following Colony attack: S. A. Fowler, Gurbachan Singh, C. H. Fowler, Pyara Singh and Parthab of Pyara Singh (centre forward), Dume and Parthab. Wall of the Police is also worthy of a trial for the inside left berth.

The Colours defeated Whites by 3-0, G. Singh finding the net in a brilliant solo effort. The winners in the second half were decidedly the better team. A final trial is to be held at King's Park next Sunday morning.

Champions Beaten In Semi-Final

Army Large Units Tournament Tie

A huge crowd of Army enthusiasts saw the Rajputana Rifles lower the colours of the Kumon Rifles, the present Champions, on the Marine ground last evening by 5-2. The Champions began very uncertainly, and were four goals to the bad in 15 minutes.

Within three three minutes Naraina Ram took a free hit and Sawal Khan scored with a first timer. Two minutes later Shah Wali after a brilliant breakaway down the right wing, centred a fierce drive which Sawal Khan again intercepted to increase the lead. The Rajputana Rifles still maintained a hot pace and five minutes later Gopal Ram added a third goal when Rami Chand collided with Pritam Nath. Immediately after a grand pass from Pritam Nath saw Gopal Ram score again from the edge of the circle.

While their opponents shot at every opportunity, the Champions had a tendency to do too much passing when in front of goal. Capt. Loch, however, playing constructively and with accuracy as leader, kept his attack on the move for fully ten minutes. Before the Rajputana Rifles could recover their early balance the Champions forced them for the first short corner of the match and Trilok Singh reduced the deficit from the resultant hit. (4-1). Good work was being accomplished by Pritam Nath and Umed Singh on the left flank and before the interval was called the former beat Behari Singh with a well deserved goal (4-2).

OFFENSIVE RESUMED

After the interval the Rajputana Rifles resumed their early offensive but the Champions' intermediate line, with Hoshyar Singh, Lal Singh and Bahadur Singh, withstood the severe pressure forced upon them by Pritam Nath and his colleagues. Umed Singh, on the left wing for the Kumons, missed two chances through over-elaboration. Capt. Loch broke through on several occasions but he was outwitted by Datta Ram, the Rajputana full back. Ten minutes before the final whistle, Pritam Nath in a nice movement sent Sawal Khan through to score the last goal of the match, 5-2.

NOTES OF CURRENT INTEREST

LIEUT. Pritam Nath, the Rajputana Rifles and India's crack centre-forward, will be leaving the Colony for India on April 17. There is only one alternative, should the Selectors wish to include him in the team, and that is to have the Interport played on Saturday, April 16.

SGT. Robinson, the brilliant R.A.F. and English right back, will also be leaving the Colony on transfer to the Singapore base on April 4. It is tough luck on Robinson as he would have been a certainty for the right back position in the Colony team.

MISS V. Bradbury, of the "Y" Ladies 2nd XI, will be turning out for the Senior team in the Championships v. Rest game on Saturday. She is at the moment one of the best and fastest right wingers in the Colony.

THE Hongkong University is sending a team to engage the Macao 2nd XI on April 9. The undergraduates possess quite a useful side and should, in my opinion, defeat the Portuguese Junior team.

GURBACHAN Singh, the triple Interporter and star Radio inside right, received a nasty injury in last Sunday's trial game when he was hit in the mouth by a ball. Three of his front teeth were loosened and he has not been able to enjoy a comfortable meal for the last four days. I do hope he will be able to have a decent meal by Sunday!

TWO very successful trials were held on the C.B.A. ground last Monday and Tuesday for the selection of



Mrs. M. White, of Interport fame, will lead the Rest team against the Champions on Saturday.

the Rest teams to meet the Champions next Saturday. The Secretary of the H.K. Ladies' Hockey Association made a wise move in having the trials as they gave the ladies a fair chance. The ladies themselves are more satisfied and very great enthusiasm was shown. For instance, on the first day there were more than 22 players present, and on the second day, when the Seniors took the field, two well-balanced teams were seen in action and the result was a goalless draw. I am afraid the ladies are showing the men up in this respect.

The following Rest teams were selected:

CAER CLARK CUP: Mrs. Lunson (H.K.L.), Miss G. White (Saints), Miss B. Parson (C.B.A.), Miss Woolley (C.B.A.), Miss B. Pope (H.K.L.), Miss J. Wong (Saints), Miss F. Wong (Saints), Miss M. Smalley (H.K.L.), Mrs. M. White (C.B.A.), Miss P. Gillins (Saints) and Miss D. Hunt (C.B.A.).

Reserves: Miss P. Everest (C.B.A.), Miss H. Reid (Saints), Miss F. Best (C.B.A.) and Miss E. Churn (Saints).

BROWN CUP: Miss J. Hall (Saints), Mrs. Slater ("Y"), Miss J. Broadbridge (Saints);

W. C. HUNG EXTENDED BY CHOA

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Give himself some hard practice. His overhead too, at the present, is a wretched compromise between a smash and an overhead volley, the result being nothing but a defensive return which is capable of serious repercussions for the player.

FINE VOLLEYING

Hung played characteristically steady tennis for three sets. His opponent's errors helped him to win an easy first set, but it was his own skilful judgment and splendid shot-making which won him the last few vital games of the match. During that period Hung played with great resource and ability. His volleying was par excellence, and he struck a useful length in lobbing. Off the ground he was reliable, and when given an opportunity for his peculiar, but effective, drag forehand drive across court, used it with telling effect. Hung was better equipped with shots than Choa and he also benefited from his considerable match play experience which enabled him to change his tactics to suit the moment. This was the most decisive contribution to his success, hard won, but well deserved.

LIGHTNING CHESS

A Lightning Tournament will be held by the Kowloon Chess Club in the Peninsula Hotel to-day at 5.30 p.m.

Members will bid farewell to Messrs. V. Rush, T. J. Elliott, and J. Kennedy who are leaving the Colony next week.

Miss P. Lawson (Saints), Mrs. Gurnby (Seafarths), Miss E. Watson (C.B.S. "B"), Miss J. Ewing (C.B.S. "B"), Mrs. Ackroyd (Seafarths), Mrs. Williams ("Y"), Miss S. Roberts (Saints) and Miss M. Remedios (Recreio).

Reserves:—Miss O. Botelho (Recreio), Miss M. Silva (Recreio), Miss M. Churn (Saints) and Miss Y. Ho (Saints). Both games will be played on the Y.M.C.A. ground at King's Park, the juniors commencing at 3 p.m. and the seniors at 4.15 p.m. The Rest will play in whites and the champions in colours.

ON Friday at 5.15 p.m. sharp on the Club ground at King's Park, China and Portugal will meet in the first round of the I.H.K.A. International Tournament. Portugal will play in Colours and China in Whites.

THOUGH there will be no International fixtures this afternoon, the ladies, however, will be having an interesting practice game on the Y.M.C.A. ground, Kowloon. At 5.15 p.m. the Rest Junior and Senior teams will meet each other in preparation for next Saturday's games. The standard of hockey played in the two divisions this season will easily be distinguishable.



Whetton, the R.E. and England right half, should secure his Interport cap against Macao.

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At the Cinema

AFTER fifteen years, a talkie version of "Way Down East" has appeared. It is strange to think of it. Going back to 1920 in the history of film drama is something like theatre-goers reverting to Aristophanes.

When D. W. Griffith, then the unchallenged king of producers, made the original, his leading lady was the tremulous, shrinking Lillian Gish. In the Western State of Oklahoma there was a four-year-old little girl named Rochelle Hudson, who had never been to the cinema.

Miss Hudson is the present heroine of the picture, which opens on Sunday at the Capitol. At 19, she has been in seven films.

In New England

THE story of warm-hearted but intolerant farmfolk in the State of Vermont remains a sincere domestic melodrama. Miss Hudson, dark and big-eyed, is as ethereal as her famous predecessor, but just as sympathetic.

Henry Fonda, a mainly young actor, is the son of the house, originally played by Richard Barthelmess, and his villainous gentlemanly seducer is played by Edward Trevor, not quite so well as by the creator of the part, Lowell Sherman, who died only a few months ago.

Slim Summerville, Andy Devine, Russell Simpson, Astrid Allwyn and Margaret Hamilton (as the village anybody) all present convincing rural personages.

Heroine on Ice

A PERIOD of 30 years ago is suggested by the ballads in vogue, but this does not fit the expression "Whoopie!" from the village postman.

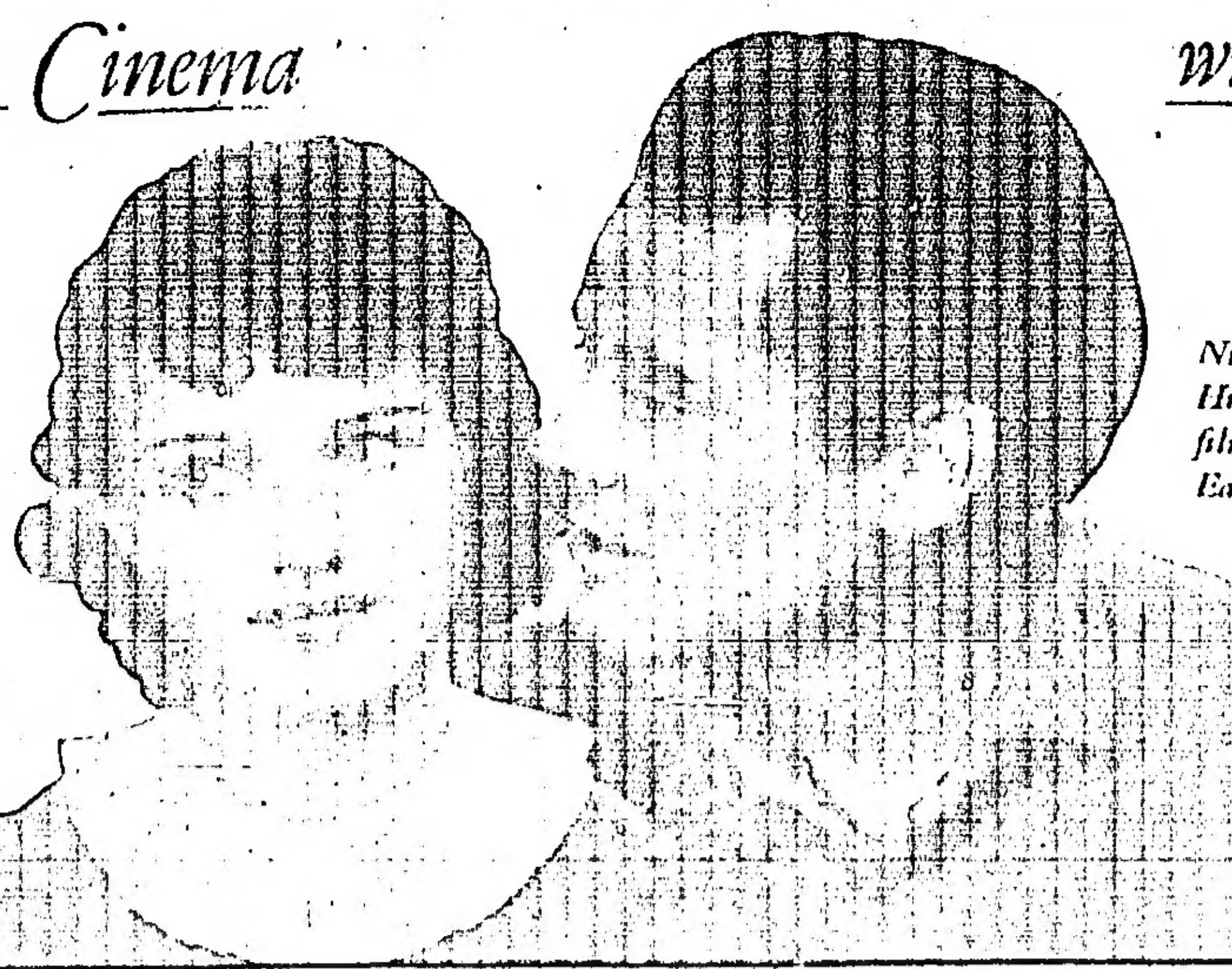
Otherwise, getting and sentiment are beyond criticism. The whole thing is a fine essay on the milk of human kindness reacting the remnant of gossip and bigotry.

The final thrills on the cracking ice of the rapids are done with a realism almost painful in its intensity. The incident was based on an actual tragedy at Niagara Falls.

The Sunny Hales

MR. AND MRS. SONNIE HALE (Jessie Matthews) return to the screen very vivaciously in "First a Girl," at the Tivoli.

This, a very welcome successor to the popular "Evergreen," is every bit



Way Down East AGAIN

As good. Mr. Hale plays a down-and-out comedian and a female impersonator, and Jessie is called upon to play a young man who takes his place. (You see it?) Jessie looks so exactly like a girl, especially in her daring dance costumes, that it was no wonder any young man resolved to confirm his suspicions.

As in "Way Down East," some thin ice is maneuvered, but actual unpleasantness is adroitly skirted in the obvious bedroom embarrassments and love scenes.

Miss Matthews is, if possible, better than ever, and, with a shapely chorus, puts over numbers with spirit and allure, in some very sensible scenes. Anna Lee, Alfred Drayton and Eddie Gray made the most of limited chances.

The last episode puzzled me. Why the police should be concerned with a mild fraud on an audience I do not know, nor did it seem very sensible for two English people to cross the frontier into Italy at this moment, especially with a "phony" passport.

Girls and Tunes

MR. HALE (who spouts Romeo and says it is "As You Like It") worries with cheery energy, and has a hilarious finale in cabaret girl undress.

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Oil Work, No Play

THE only needless interruptions to "Oil for the Lamps of China" were the turning leaves of the book on which it is based.

I enjoyed this interesting and capably-made story about a young American salesman of oil who sacrifices his child, his friend and the best years of his life for an ungrateful corporation. I do not recommend China for a married business man.

Many a wife will appreciate the theme, which is the male struggle between conflicting loyalties, domestic and commercial.

Chinese "Anxiety"

PAT O'BRIEN plays the pushing hero very well. In his position I would have resigned and joined British oil interests, who, I hope, treat their employees more humanely. But he was not that sort, declaring that "China is anxious and ready for the United States business man."

I did not notice this anxiety. Graft and banditry were all in the day's work.

Josephine Hutchinson is tender and sensible as the wife, and Donna Crisp Lyle Talbot, and some first-rate Chinese actors do capital work. The picture opens to-day at the Regal.

Baker's Treat

JOSEPHINE BAKER, dusky flaunting queen of Paris revue, obviously enjoyed making her first film, "Zou Zou," now at the Regal.

She has some strutting, uncovered moments, but, if I may confess it, is mostly fully clothed and far less interesting, as a laundry girl. The picture is a very crude affair. It is its main interest, in the "dubbing." This process, general on the Continent, but seldom seen here, consists of grafted voices in another

language on the film's sound-track, to fit the players' lip-movements. "Zou-Zou" was photographed and recorded in French. English words were concocted later. They often fit the picture.

Shorn Politics

NEXT Monday the London Pavilion shows "Arms and the Girl," with handsome, bumptious Robert Young and delightful Barbara Stanwyck.

Most of the story is a rather monotonous, wise-cracking trek from Mexico to Washington, dodging police. The heroine loves a revolutionary college boy.

Censorial scissors have been busy on most of the politics originally in the story. Some of it was near-Pascals in tone. The reformers are made to appear contemptible, even now. But their "Red" arguments have been whittled down into Samualite Liberalism.

In the same bill is Disney's "Mickey's Fire Brigade."

Romeo, Wanted

WHO will play Romeo to Norma Shearer's Juliet? Don't all shout at once.

Fifty letters a day reach the Metro-Goldwyn studio from aspirants. Robert Donat has refused, and Brian Aherne is being considered—if he can spare the time.

Mr. Aherne is more in demand than any other British actor these days. Our own studios have little chance of luring him back. This Birmingham-born young man has just finished two big leading man roles—with Joan Crawford, in "I Live My Life," and with Katharine Hepburn in "Evelyn Scott."

Magic Play Names

I NOTICE that one of the newest young magicians of British films, Mr. Paul Soskin, has been contending that "artistic" pictures are not for him.

He would like to make a "Crime Without Passion," or some such, but is out to make money. Therefore he will concentrate on buying the rights of successful plays.

"It is an infallible way to success," he asserts, urging that the very name of a long-run play is magic for the box-office.

Mr. Soskin must forgive my disagreeing with his views, respectfully but utterly.

Deceptive Runs

MR. SOSKIN, with a little more experience, will learn that "Crime Without Passion" and "David Copperfield" made money, in spite of being artistic.

Also, that play subjects are far from infallible film success. Even those with record runs. I shall, for example, be more than interested to hear of huge profits from the film versions of "The Farmer's Wife," "The First Mrs. Francis," "The Arcadians," "The Vortex" or "The Constant Nymph."

These five plays' average run was over 700 performances. I could give others.

Besides, if Mr. Soskin collars the half-dozen or so long-run plays every year, that leaves nothing for the rest of the film world. Which seems hardly fair.

Now Available

MY first choice among general releases is "The Wedding Night."

Anna Sten, beautiful and with restrained physical glamour, plays the daughter of a Polish farmer in New England. A young author (Gary Cooper) falls in love with her, but his wife turns up and ends the interlude. It is delicately done, acting is splendid, and the setting unusual.

Well-acted and always effective humour from W. O. Fields, as a hen-pecked husband, makes "The Memory Expert" a highly entertaining domestic comedy.

Here and There

MERLE OBERON is in Hollywood to co-star with Miriam Hopkins in "The Children's Hour," from an

with P. L.

Mannock

Nineteen year old Rochelle Hudson stars in the talking film version of "Way Down East" with Henry Fonda.

American play that is bound to fall foul of the Censor unless the central theme is eliminated.

"Public Nuisance No. 1" is the name of the picture now being made here with Frances Day and Arthur Riscoe. It is also the name

of the next Hollywood film of the child actress, Jane Withers.

Janet Gaynor will be leading lady for Robert Montgomery in "Small Town Girl."

Warner Brothers will film J. B. Priestley's "Eden End" in Hollywood.

The four most popular British screen actors, according to London Film's poll to date, are Charles Laughton, George Arliss, Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Robert Donat.

The rights of P. G. Wodehouse's "Jeeves" stories have been acquired by 20th Century-Fox Pictures for Hollywood and will be made in a long series.

Myrna Loy, after "The Great Ziegfeld," will be with Spencer Tracy in "Whisper."

Katharine Hepburn is to star in "Marry of Scotland."

Eddie Cantor is completing "Shooting the Chutes."

Charles Boyer will be Marlene Dietrich's next leading man.

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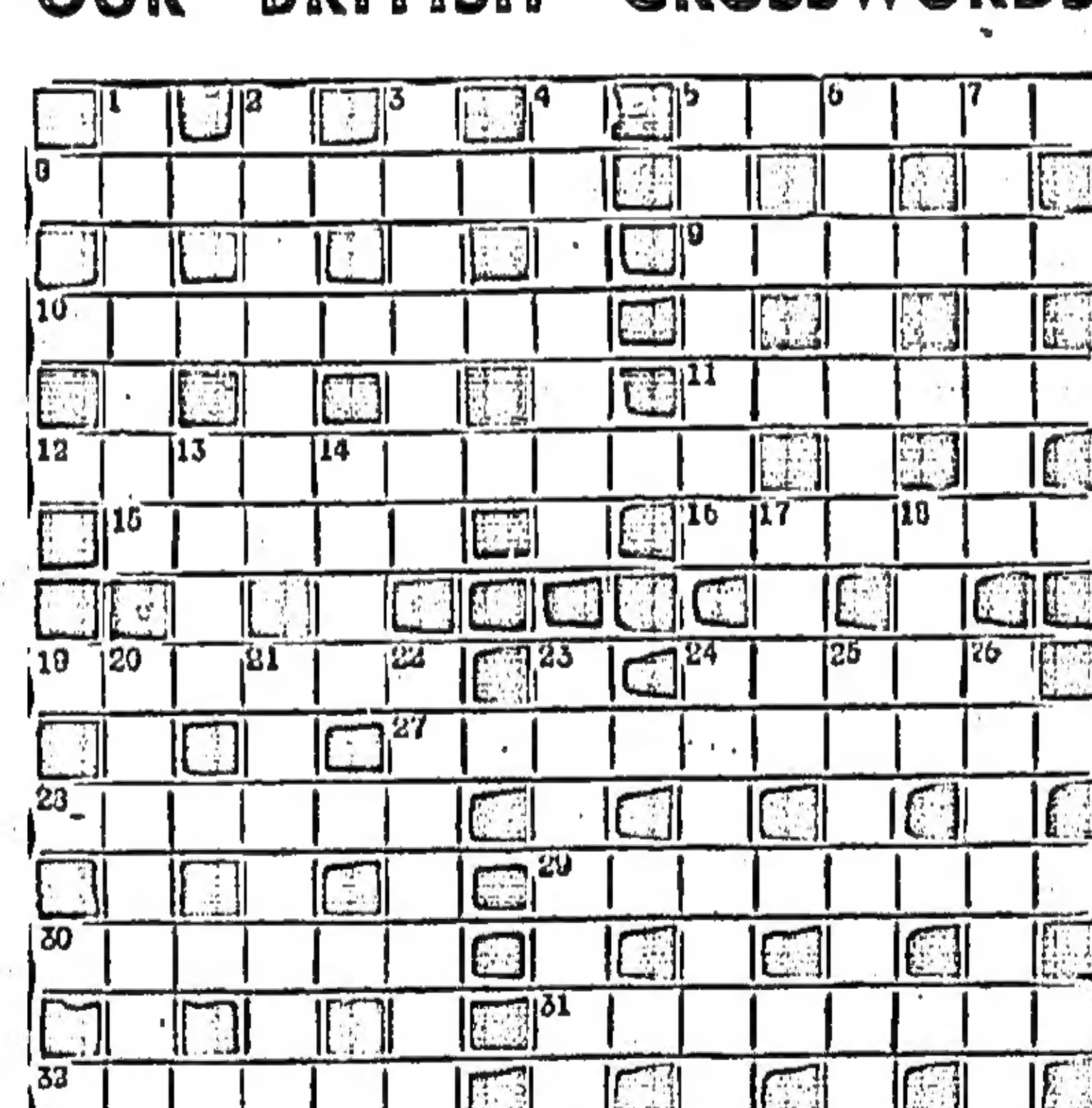
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- Most of this vegetable may be deadly (6).
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- Flap that suggests a little dog (6).
- A desert quality, but the start might provide a drink (6).
- This makes one long for the swallows (6).
- Labour holds out its hand to him, but only at the week-end (10).
- This organ is sometimes blown (5).
- An order starts what an order should be (6).
- He should be able to interpret the clue for you (6).
- Park fauna, often (5).
- Repeat the latter part, but blot out the whole (10).
- The sea gives a restful period (6).
- One who risks suspension (8).
- Part of a nautical line (6).
- Revolving (8).
- If he knows his job the trend of the game will be favourable (6).

DOWN

- Means of travel for an artist in Ireland (7).
- 29 across should not, in justice, escape it (7).
- The first few letters seeks it in the first four letters (7).
- Not rigid, and the last part is not last (7).
- A black and white creation (7).
- This creature would be unsuitable for roofing (7).
- Supervise like a bishop (7).

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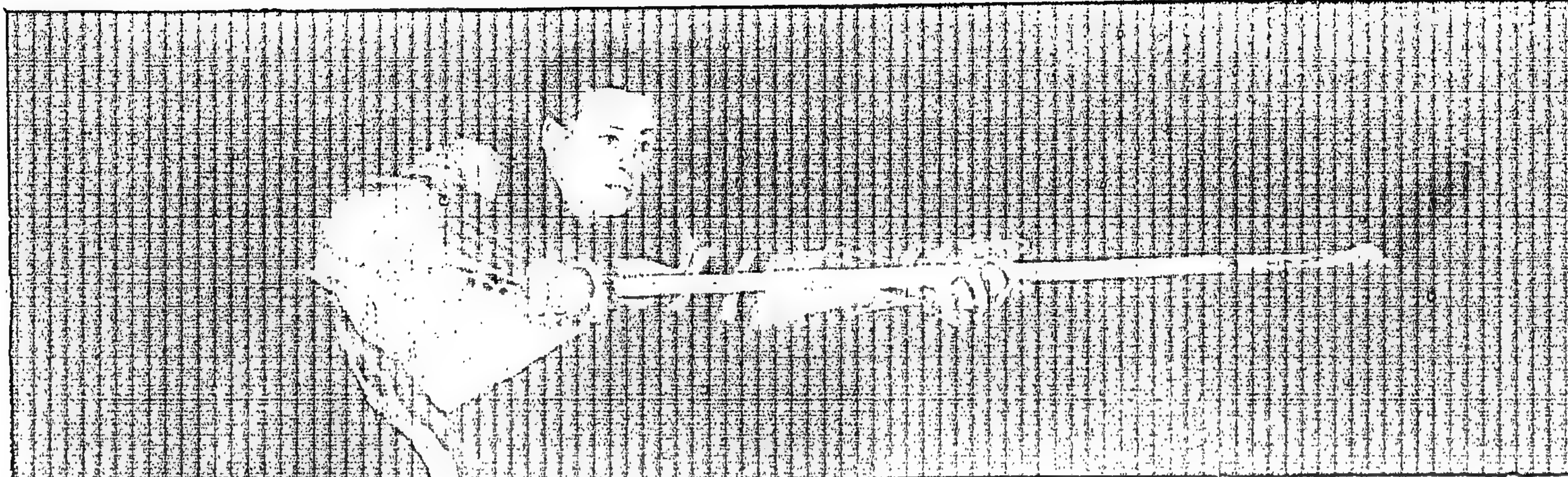
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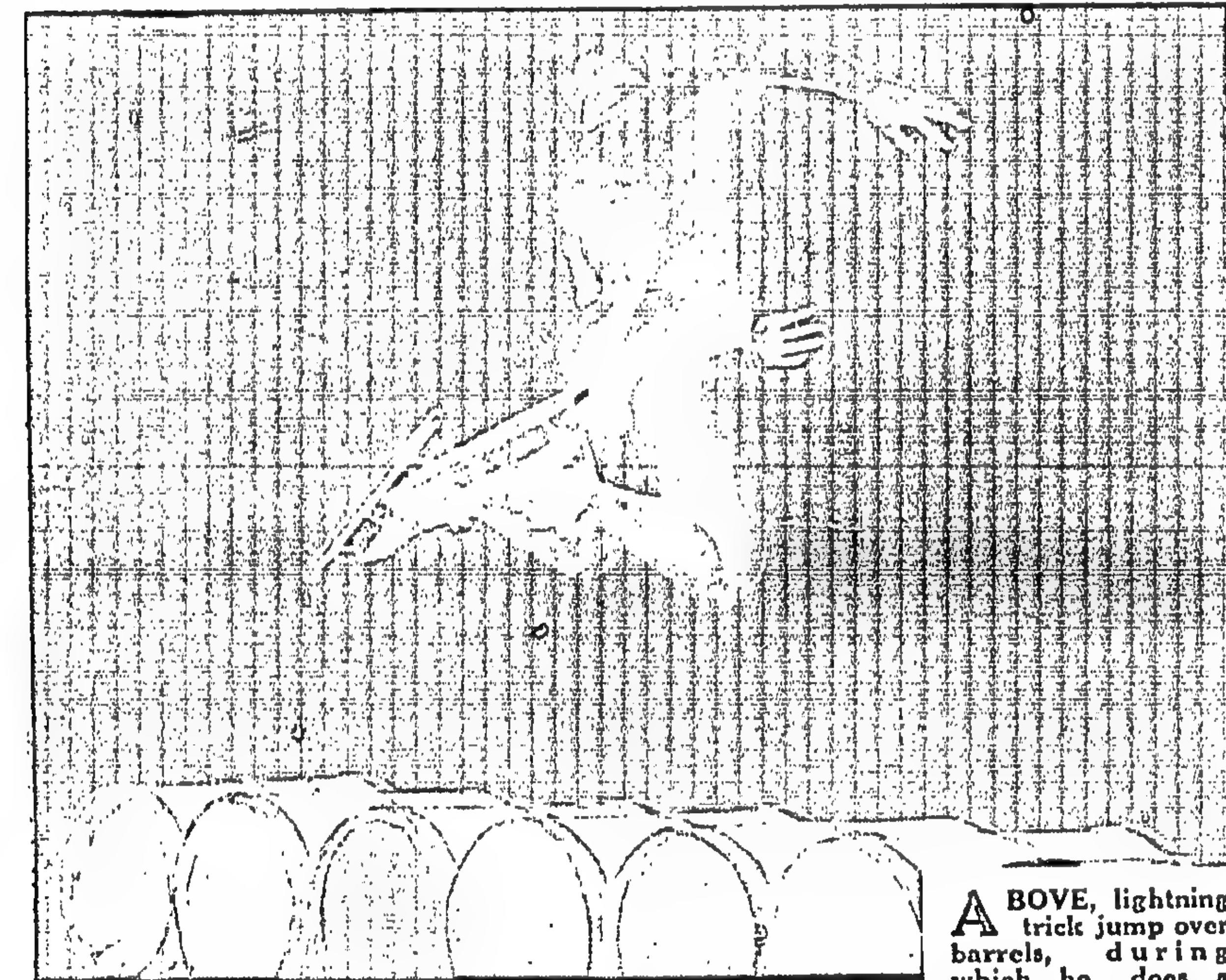


MORE high-speed photography marvels...

Last week this page showed you the first flashlight photographs ever taken of racing greyhounds in action.

To-day an ordinary Press camera discloses what the human eye misses at a skating rink.

Left and below, Jerry Brown, Earl's Court Rangers' centre - forward, swerving and braking in an ice-hockey match.



ABOVE, lightning trick jump over barrels, during which he does a twist and a one-foot landing, by Red McCarthy, of the Marina Ice Show. Below, Red's split jump.

R. Saidman, "Daily Herald" staff photographer, took all four pictures at distances from five to seven yards.

Each time his camera's shutter winked for just one twelve-hundredth of a second.



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(DC-2)		(DC-2)
08.00	Lv HONGKONG	Ar 14.28
09.35	Lv WUCHOW	Lv 13.08
10.50	Lv KWEILIN	Lv 11.53
12.45	Lv KWEIYANG	Lv 09.58
14.13	Ar CHUNGKING	Lv 08.15

HANKOW-CHENG TU TIME TABLE

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(Commo-dore)	(DC-2)	(Loen-ing)		(Loen-ing)	(DC-2)	(Commo-dore)
08.00	11.45	08.00	Lv HANKOW	Ar 17.10	11.45	15.09
		09.40	Lv HIFANG	Lv 15.45		13.50
10.15	13.50	10.40	Lv ICHANG	Lv 14.45	10.05	11.25
12.40		11.00	Lv WANSIEN	Lv 12.25		09.30
14.20	15.00	14.00	Ar CHUNGKING	Lv 10.50	01.00	

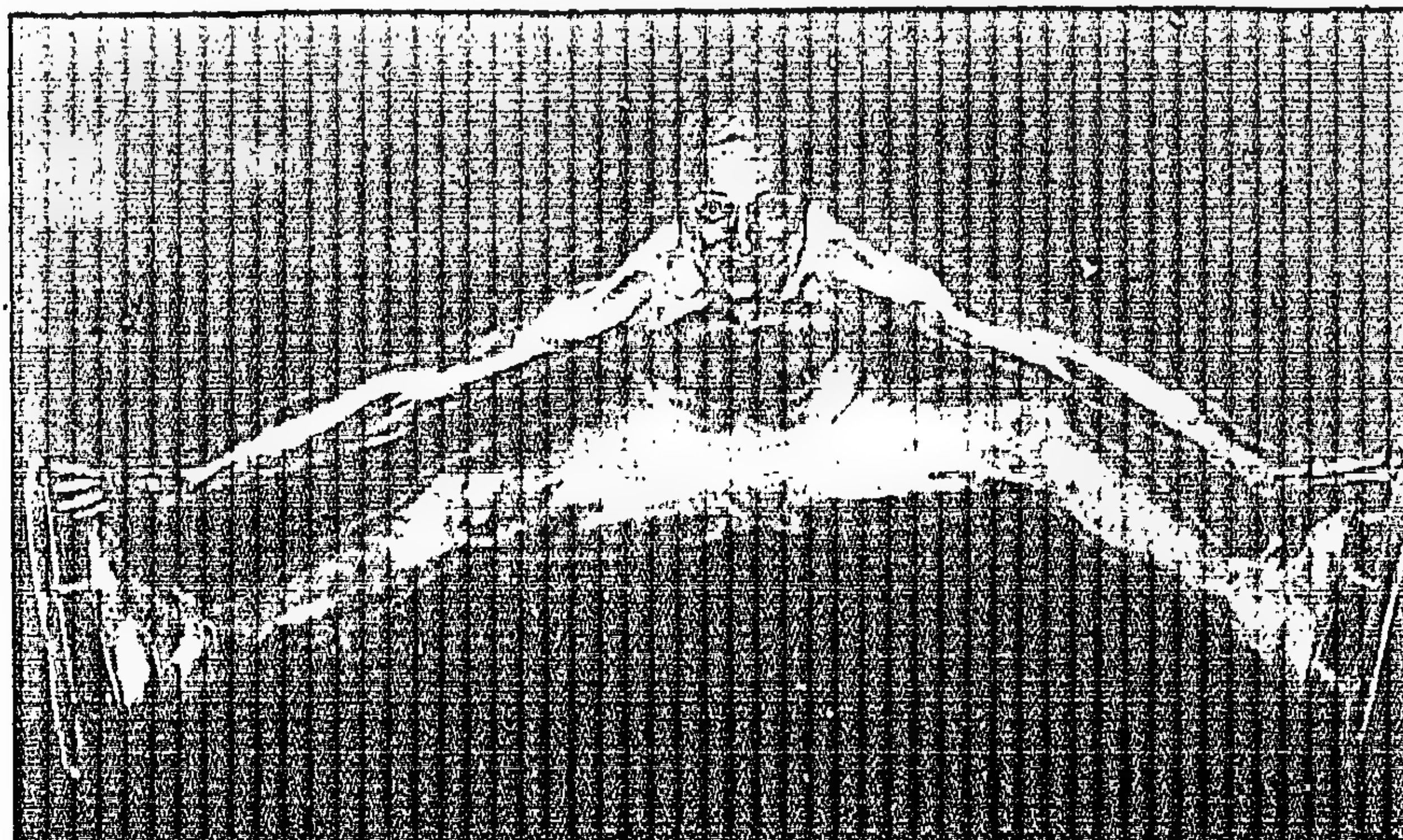
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15.10	10.30	15.10	Lv CHUNGKING	Ar 14.30	10.00	14.30
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Admits Mexico Has Right To Expropriate

But Cordell Hull Demands Payment

Washington, Mar. 30.

A statement was issued by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, today, which acknowledged the Mexican Government's right to expropriate American oil properties, but it demanded adequate payment. In the meantime, it is hoped that a fair and equitable solution will be reached.

A message from Mexico City states that conversations are continuing between Mr. Josephus Daniels, United States Ambassador to Mexico, and General Eduardo Hay, Mexican Foreign Minister, regarding the oil and silver questions outstanding between the two countries.

The United States Treasury's action in deferring continuation of the monthly silver purchase arrangements with Mexico on April 1 until further notice, and the reduction in the price of foreign silver, is accepted in responsible circles as an ultimatum. —Reuter.

CHINESE TRANSPORT LACKS FUEL

Chungking, Mar. 31.

The cessation of motor transport is likely to occur in Chungking in the near future as a result of the new Chinese Exchange regulations, which are forcing foreign oil companies to cease sales owing to the lack of foreign exchange.

All three leading concerns, the British owned Asiatic Petroleum Company, the American Texaco, and the American Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, are now declining to deliver stocks unless a cover is provided.

Conferences are going on to find a way out of the difficulty, but as yet no solution has been discovered.

Representatives of other foreign concerns are doing business, but under considerable difficulties, on a foreign exchange basis, deposits being credited at the exchange rate when the deal is concluded. —Reuter.

BRITAIN WATCHING

London, Mar. 30.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, gave a written reply to Mr. M. C. Moreing (Cons.) with regard to the drop in the value of the Chinese dollar, when he said that he was continuing to watch the matter closely with a view to preventing all avoidable difficulties to British trade. —Reuter.

German Agents Reported Active Even in London

London, Mar. 30.

The activity of German secret police in London was raised in a House of Commons question to-day. The questioner added that Germans, living in London, have been watched, and their movements reported to Berlin.

The Home Secretary, Sir Herbert Samuel, replied that if he had evidence that pressure had been put on Germans living in Britain, he would take action to stop it. —Reuter Bulletin.

"WE ARE PREPARING MEN AND MEANS FOR WAR"

(Continued from Page 1.)

and aeroplane engines. "Our engineers are trying to invent a bomber which can be equally effective by day and night. We hope to attain complete self-sufficiency in aircraft construction."

Air Force Ready

Italy now had possibly twenty to thirty thousand pilots. The Italian airmen, both officers and N.C.O., had now become legendary in their professional skill, and their contempt of danger was unmatched in the world. Hundreds of them now had experience in two wars.

All the ground organisation was ready, said Il Duce. They had many airports and landing grounds, and an unspecified number of hidden landing grounds had been prepared, as well as depots for fuel and explosives of the most destructive power. —Reuter.

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The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong radio: —Asian, Foratic, Bengloe, Quensang, Wingwo, Belmoira, Jean Laborde, Cape York, Hiram, Canton, Pingwo, Africa, Muri, Poehling, Conte Rosso, Naldera, Kiangsu, Telnan, Nellore, Spinax, G.G. Paul, Doumer.

Girl Who Cannot Sleep

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SINCE the man she was to have married was killed last August in a motor-cycle crash, Miss Josephine Lupton, a shopgirl living in Morning-crescent, N.W., has not had a single minute of sleep.

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"From nine o'clock at night onwards is my most nerve-racking time," she told a press representative.

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"Dozens of recipes for sleep were given me at first. They all failed. Now I scarcely try to drop off."

"Every little detail in my bedroom is familiar to me because of the concentration I have put into my efforts to force sleep."

"I have written poetry, recited verses, counted thousands of numbers—anything to lighten the monotony."

STOP PRESS NEWS

AMERICAN ATTACKED BY JAPANESE PLANE

Waiyeung, Mar. 31.

An American missionary riding in a motor car was attacked at Waiyeungkiao in Waiyeung by a Japanese plane on March 29. The car was hit by five machine-gun bullets, but he is understood to have escaped unscathed.

Five Japanese planes raided Waiyeung around 11 o'clock that morning, dropping 12 bombs at Waiyeungkiao. —Central News.

HONGKONG JUNKS SEIZED BY JAPAN WARSHIP

It was reported to-day that three Hongkong junks, carrying cargoes of salt, were seized by a Japanese warship on the afternoon of March 28. Their crews, numbering 37, including women and children, were eventually sent on to Macao in two fishing boats which the Japanese had previously captured, but the cargo junks were retained.

The three junks were towed, when seized, by a Hongkong-owned steam launch, the Kwong Hing.

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WHITEAWAY'S

THOUSANDS DIE AT TAIERCHWANG

BARELY 600 JAPANESE SURVIVORS

Half-Naked Chinese Wield Big Swords In Bloody Fight

Hsuehchow, Mar. 31.

Between 3,000 and 4,000 Japanese troops have been wiped out at Taierschwang during encounters in the last five days and barely 600 now remaining face imminent annihilation.

The Chinese troops fighting at Taierschwang are those under the command of General Sun Lien-chung, who distinguished themselves during the battle at Nankow at the Great Wall last year.

General Sun's troops were called in on March 24 when the town was in a critical situation. In a counter-offensive the next day they recaptured several villages north of the town.

On March 25 reinforced by two mechanised detachments and supported by six planes and more than 20 tanks, the Japanese renewed their attack. The Chinese were compelled to withdraw to their original lines but three Japanese tanks were damaged during the engagement.

On the morning of March 27, under a protective barrage and preceded by 10 tanks, between 500 and 600 Japanese succeeded in breaking into the city. A fierce hand-to-hand fight ensued in the city and at a point north-east. Bare to the waist, despite the cold the Chinese defenders fought furiously, wielding their big swords and hurling their hand grenades. The Japanese inside the city were wiped out towards evening. Some 50 Japanese who occupied the city tower were slain by Chinese handgrenades. The Japanese troops north-east of the city were repulsed with heavy losses. Eleven of their tanks were damaged.

Armoured Cars Destroyed

Another hand-to-hand battle was fought outside the city at dawn on March 28. Three Japanese armoured cars were destroyed during the day.

As communications with the rear were cut by Chinese guerrillas, the Japanese used six planes to transport ammunition, medicine and provisions on March 28.

On March 30 they were surrounded by the Chinese forces at several villages north of Taierschwang. Assisted by six planes, they made repeated abortive attempts to break through the Chinese siege. Meanwhile, their casualties mounted hourly. Only about 600 still survive.

The Chinese side also suffered considerable casualties. Three regimental commanders, Han Shih-chun, Wang Kwan-wu and Wang Ping were wounded but they are still directing operations.—Central News.

Chinese Troops Break Siege

Tunchi, Anhwei, Mar. 31.

After being reinforced, the Chinese guerrilla units at Chinchiling, north of Kwangteh, on the Anhwei-Kiangsu border, earlier surrounded by Japanese columns from Wusheng, Chinchiling, Liyang and Hancheng, finally repulsed the attackers yesterday afternoon.

The Japanese troops are withdrawing toward Hing on the west bank of the Taihu Lake.—Central News.

Punishment Of Chang Tze-Chung Revoked

Chungking, Mar. 31.

In recognition of his bravery in leading the Chinese troops against the Japanese on the Linzi front, the National Government issued a mandate yesterday revoking the previous mandate for the punishment of General Chang Tze-chung because of his weak policy toward the Japanese. (Continued on Page 4.)

Loyalists' Retreat Continues Unchecked

MEN FOR "THE NEXT WAR"



IL DUCE SAYS, "WE LIKE IT"—Having tried out the Passo Romano—the modified German goose-step—on his Black Shirts, Premier Mussolini liked it so well he ordered it as a regular movement for his Fascist militia. Above, the goose-stepping soldiery pass in review in Rome, on the 15th Fascist anniversary. "It's not for the sedentary," Il Duce said, "That's why we like it."

Mussolini Talks of Third "Campaign"

Rome, Mar. 31.

A mysterious reference to another campaign was reported to have been made by Signor Benito Mussolini, when he received a number of Senators at the Palazzo Venezia, after his speech to the Senate.

Briefly addressing them, he thanked them for raising him to the rank of Marshal of the Empire, and, it is reported, added: "This new appointment increases my responsibility for a third great and victorious campaign of the Empire in which I shall lead you."

The statement is not officially confirmed.—Reuter.

AIR RAIDS NORTH OF CANTON

Attempt To Check Movement Of War Supplies

Canton, Mar. 31.

Japanese planes continued their routine raids over Kwangtung this morning, several machines dropping heavy bombs on the countryside immediately north and east of Canton. The detonations were clearly audible in Shamoen.

A number of planes passed east of the city heading for the south. Explosions of anti-aircraft shells dotted the sky on all sides.

During the past week the Japanese planes appear to have concentrated mainly on the Canton-Hankow railway, and to have endeavored to stop supplies from going north. They have also been operating close to Canton, although no bombs have been dropped on the city itself for several months past.

At present there are no details of this morning's raid.—Reuter.

VOTE OF CENSURE

London, Mar. 30.

The Labour Opposition has tabled the following vote of censure: "That as the foreign policy of His Majesty's Government cannot arrest a dangerous drift towards war, and is inconsistent with its election pledges, this House is of the opinion the issue should be submitted to the country without delay."—British Wireless.

JAPANESE FAIL TO CHECK ATTACKERS

Give Ground Steadily On Long Front

(Special to "Telegraph")

Shanghai, Mar. 31.

Chinese Army despatches reveal that the Japanese in most parts of the fighting lines in southern Shantung and southern Shansi are in general retreat, apparently intending to consolidate their now endangered strategic positions and to reopen their severed lines of communication. The Japanese retreat has been forced by the war's most extensive Chinese counter-drive, and the Chinese claim they have forced the Japanese troops to abandon large supplies of war materials at many points.

The Japanese have been compelled to barricade themselves in the scattered walled towns, while they are awaiting reinforcements.

SMALLPOX GAINS IN KOWLOON

1,350 Deaths Among Colony's 1,761 Cases

Another sharp upward trend in the number of cases reported to local health authorities marked the smallpox epidemic yesterday.

Of thirty-six cases reported, 25 were in Kowloon, ten in the residential areas of Victoria and one in a craft in the Harbour.

Total since January 1 is now 1,761, of whom 1,350 have died.

Shaukiwan, Aberdeen, Kowloon and the New Territories were entirely free of all notifiable diseases, which were distributed as follows:

	Victoria	Harbour
Diphtheria	1	1
Typhoid	2	4
Measles	2	4
Meningitis	1	1
Dysentery	1	1

MOORS APPROACHING GATES OF LERIDA AS DEFENDERS FLEE

Barcelona Threatened By Approach Of Insurgents

Hendaye, Mar. 30.

It is reported that the Loyalists are fleeing towards the Mediterranean by three roads, while the Moors have approached the gates of Lerida.

The disorganised retreating forces, including members of the International Brigade, are going eastwards to Balaguer by one road, to Igualada by another, and to Tarragona by the third.

Simultaneously it is reported that the Insurgents have forced the Loyalists to retreat to the Noguera mountains above Candesa. Insurgent headquarters announced that its troops are occupying territory at the rate of 18 square miles an hour.

A Barcelona message says that the Loyalists, admitting the insurgents are approaching Lerida, have announced that they are evacuating the civilians, and establishing their defences farther in the rear. Reports state that the insurgents captured the hydro-electric plant at Seros, 13 miles south-east of Lerida, and it is probable that General Pozas is "no longer in active charge". It is not revealed whether he has been removed from command, though some believe that Lieut.-Colonel Juan Reyes might have replaced him.—United Press.

23 Killed In Valencia Collision

Barcelona, Mar. 30.

An electric train collided with a gasoline truck near Valencia to-day, and killed 23 people, as well as seriously injuring ten others.—United Press.

Unlicensed Radio Fans Heavily Fined

Court Takes Strong Line Of Action

A number of Chinese were summoned before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning for being in possession of wireless sets without licences. In some cases, heavy fines were imposed and confiscation of the sets ordered.

Mr. E. J. Wynne-Jones, the Postmaster-General, appeared for the prosecution.

Mr. Mok Yik-ha, of Wanchai Road, was summoned for being in possession of a radio set without a licence on February 28.

Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau appeared for the defence, and pleaded guilty. He asked for a caution, and added that defendant was engaged in business in Canton and Macao, and forgot to renew the licence. The day after the wireless inspector had visited the premises, the licence was renewed.

Mr. Wynne-Jones remarked that failure to renew or take out licences for sets was depriving the Colony of its legal revenue. The radio licensing offices were very busy during the beginning of the year, but by February 28, Mr. Key, the Wireless Inspector, managed to get around and found the set wired to an external aerial.

"I will remind your Worship," continued Mr. Wynne-Jones, "that between January 10 and 10 I caused a warning to be broadcast, in the morning and evening, both in English and Chinese, to all listeners, that licences were becoming renewable and warned them of the possible consequences of failure to renew. It is difficult to think of any other means which I can use to warn people of this."

HEAVY PENALTY

He added that he had not come to Court to press for the full penalty which the law provided. He reminded the Court that the maximum

Threaten Barcelona's Electric Power

Barcelona, Mar. 30.

The Insurgents are threatening to sever Barcelona's electric current. Labour Unions have appealed for an additional 200,000 workers, who are not afraid to die for their country. This appeal is accompanied by a warning by the Defence Minister, that if the power is cut, paralyzing industry, every idler must immediately report for military duty.—United Press.

LOYALISTS DYNAMITE RIVER DAM

Hendaye, Mar. 30.

The Insurgents are driving hard, and have reached a point less than two miles from Lerida. They have captured Alcarraz eight miles from Lerida.

Desperate Loyalists dynamited the dam on the Cinca River and released 40,000,000 cubic metres of water, but the Insurgents moved to higher ground in their advance.—United Press.

STOP PRESS

WARSHIP SENT TO GUARD BRITISH LIVES

As a result of the riots, between 3,000 armed striking miners and militia at the Kailan Mining Administration mines at Tongshan, near Tientsin, the Commander-in-Chief, China, Station, has despatched H.M.S. Lowestoft to Chingwangtao.

It is emphasized that the despatch of Lowestoft to the Tientsin port is purely a precautionary measure. No marines or sailors will be landed from the warship unless the lives of British subjects are endangered.

H.M.S. Capetown is at present at Weihaiwei and H.M.S. Folkestone at Tsingtao.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

BOUND FOR HOME

The Latest in Shipboard Clothes

ALL ABOARD! The ship's band plays merrily and you walk blithely up the gangway. If you have packed the right clothes for the right moment in your bag, you are happy—secure in the knowledge that you will have a good time.

So, in order to be able to give you first hand news of what will be worn afloat this summer, the other day I sat and watched sunbathed models parade in the latest cruising clothes against a canvas background of blue sea and a sky banked with fleecy clouds.

How do you like the idea of rust linen slacks and boleros? With this outfit, which is illustrated here, is worn a lime green shirt and a soft yellow sash. These colours are as smart as paint worn together.

Slacks are rather wider this season, so that they give a more graceful line. Many models in navy have either a wide stripe of braid or two narrow ones down either side, which has a "height-making" as well as nautical effect. Slacks rather mannish in cut are worn with a searlet double-breasted jacket.

Bright Sashes

Short dresses are trying to oust the popular sun-bathing top from favour, but they have taken on a difficult task, as with a pair of cream tuscane or linen shorts, alternate coloured tops give an easy change of costume.

White flannel shorts, well tailored, are the latest craze.

A novelty of the season is a short circular skirt, with a lightning fastener at the side, which, on occasions, can be worn as a cape to protect one's back from the sun; a practical idea this.

Brightly coloured braid sashes with fringed ends give a tropical note to a light hued outfit, but these are added, of course, to one's costume after the daily dozen have been performed.

Pique coats, brightly patterned, giving a cloque effect, complement many self-coloured frocks. You will

ACIDITY

Stomach Acidity is one of the penalties of modern life. It arises from a variety of causes—irregular meals, imperfect digestion setting up food fermentation, wrong diet, mental anxiety, etc. Whatever the cause may be, one thing is certain and simple, and that is the cure. To correct acidity you must take an alkali or what is called an "ant-acid." The most widely used alkaline powder, increasingly taken because of its never-failing benefit, is MACLEAN BRAND Stomach Powder, sold in bottles in cartons, both clearly distinguished by the signature, "ALEX. C. MACLEAN." A spoonful of this powder in water, taken after meals, when the deadly effects of acidity are most virulent, is a certain corrective. The sensation of sourness disappears and is replaced by a feeling of wholesome cleanliness. You feel and know that your digestion is working normally again and that food fermentation has ended.

You should always correct acidity immediately, as otherwise you are laying the foundation of the very painful and dangerous condition known as gastric or duodenal ulcer. So effective is Maclean Brand Stomach Powder that it has actually saved many a stomach sufferer an operation for ulcers, but surely it is far better to dispose of the trouble in its early stages by taking a regular dose of Maclean Brand Stomach Powder. In your own interests, beware of worthless imitations. Genuine Maclean Brand is never sold loose—only in bottles or cartons (powder or tablets). If you have any difficulty in obtaining it from your local chemist or store, write to Dr. Alex. C. Maclean, P.O. Box 536, Hong Kong.



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Room 308, Bank of East Asia Building.



And then a friend in need if you strike a coolish period for your holiday. They make just the difference in weight required with thin frocks.

Dresses for the main part have sleeves, short affairs with just a hint of squareness at the shoulders; no puffs unless the frock is in silk or velvet. Lines are neat and trim, and nearly all styles button down the front or side.

Patterns strike the note of originality in summer cruise frocks. You will often find a Chinese junk accompanied by small figures sailing across the surface of the fabric.

Then there are anchors galore, aeroplanes, ships, novelty stripes, and every size of check imaginable.

Boleros for morning, noon and night are particularly adaptable, as they can be copied in various materials to give a smart finish to a frock.

Accessories are interesting. Hats tend towards cart-wheel dimensions when designed for cruising, and both the Chinese conical shapes and wide-brimmed coarse straw hats inspired by Mexican or Wild West cowboys' head-gear are being shown.

Most useful for packing are those in pique and linen, or a straw hat that can be rolled and tucked away down the side of a suitcase.

Scarves of Paisley silk, striped and bordered, that can be worn gipsy fashion on the head or knotted round the throat, are fashionable.

So are coloured woolen jewellery, neck handbags made of the same materials, your frocks embroidered either with the name of the ship on which you are sailing or your own Christian name.

Three or four strands of chiffon tightly knotted together make an attractive hair band. Boleros are usually gay, in multi-coloured embroidered linen, or in white flannel with gaily coloured flowers.

Sandals Shoes

There are numerous varieties in sandal styles, but if you want to be really comfortable choose an all-white buckskin low-heeled style, or a pair in white buckskin with navy or brown trimmings. Many are perforated to give added coolness to the feet.

And, to come to the most glamorous part of our cruise wardrobe—evening clothes. Sketched is a version of the evening coat-frock of black organdie over a tailored alp of white pique.

The same coat can be worn over various foundations, such as flesh pink dull faced crepe, flowered crepe, black taffeta or white satin.

Evening frocks generally are of the picturesque, romantic type—full, billowy skirts with fitting bodices, and always a garniture of flowers on the

Sail red bolero, navy slacks, white flannel shorts. Cart-wheel hats of pale coarse straw.

shoulder, at the waist or trailing on the skirt.

For non-dancers or those who prefer a more sophisticated outfit there are sleek-fitting satin and crepe dresses, skirts slit half way to the knee, and straight-fitting bodices with a contrast bolero in brocade or scintillating with sequins or crystals.

With two or three different boleros, you can ring many changes on one evening frock. MARY GRACE.



"But I've cleaned some of them, Mummy!"

COOKERY HINTS

WHEN separating the yolk from the white of an egg, break it into a funnel over a glass, for the white will pass through, leaving the yolk in the funnel.

Milk is not so likely to boil over if a china pie funnel is put in the centre of the saucepan, and it will not burn if a lump of butter is dropped into a warm saucepan before the milk is poured in.

More juice will be obtained from lemons if they are placed in a hot oven before being squeezed. When they are not being used at once, submerge in water, which should be changed once a week to make them last almost indefinitely.

A good substitute for an egg if one is not available when making steamed puddings is a tablespoonful of treacle mixed with milk.

To make a rice pudding really creamy, add a small knob of finely chopped beef suet before cooking, but see it is well mixed with the rice and milk.

Pastry will brown nicely if brushed over with milk before being placed in the oven and, incidentally, the milk will give it a gloss. Before grilling a mutton chop, plunge it into boiling water to seal the tissues and so retain the nutritive juices.

When soup is found to be too greasy, strain it through muslin previously dipped in cold water and held over a saucepan with a strong elastic band. The fatty substance will then adhere to the cold muslin instead of passing through.

When making toast, slightly heat one side of the bread and then the other, leaving all browning to the last, so allowing the moisture to evaporate.

When cooking vegetables, add a little butter or dripping to the boiling water, for it not only helps them to cook quickly, but prevents the water boiling over, besides bringing out the full flavour.

A spoonful of dry mustard in the washing-up bowl will effectively remove the odour of onions and fish from all utensils, also the hands.

If a spoonful of ground coffee is sprinkled on the red hot bars of

Washing Silk Needs Care

WHEN washing silks, first shake the garments to remove as much dirt as possible and then arrange white, light, and dark coloured articles in three separate heaps. Both washing and rinsing waters should be tepid. When treating dark coloured articles, soften with an ounce of borax dissolved in a cupful of boiling water for every gallon of water used.

Avoid rubbing and steeping, and squeeze the silk gently in good soapy lather made with soap flakes or jelly. Do not spread soap direct into the washing water, for any piece that adheres to the garment being treated will cause yellow streaks.

When clean, hang up until the water drains off, but on no account must the article be twisted or wrung by hand. After the surplus water has been removed, roll the silk up flat in a fairly thick towel and leave for an hour or two before ironing.

Remember when washing coloured silks to add a quarter of a cupful of vinegar to the rinsing water to set and brighten the colours.

A few drops of methylated spirits into the final rinsing water will make the silk almost as glossy as when new. Ribbed or dark coloured silks are best ironed on the wrong side with a cool iron.

Warm water and a pure soap should be used for artificial silk, and a little ammonia or borax added if the water is hard. Squeeze and press gently in a slightly soapy lather, but avoid rubbing as the fibres are very delicate when wet. Heavy articles may be partly dried on a sheet or towel instead of being hung up, as this stretches the fabric.

Ann Thorogood

Different Sweets

HERE are three recipes for special-occasion sweets.

To make ginger cream, boil three-quarters of a pint of milk and pour over two eggs well beaten and mixed with three ounces of caster sugar, and a teaspoonful of ground ginger. Mix up together and add half-an-ounce of gelatine and a few drops of essence of lemon. Stir over the fire, without boiling, till mixture is thick.

When cold, add three ounces of ginger pieces cut up small and a small tin of cream whipped up, or quarter of a pint or more of fresh cream whipped. Fill into a mould lightly oiled with salad oil. The oil makes it unnecessary to dip the mould in hot water before turning on to a dish.

Decorate with sweetened whipped cream on top and round the edge, and sprinkle with a little chopped or grated pistachio nut, or sugar coloured pink or green. To colour granulated sugar, put some in a saucer and mix in a little colouring. Store the surplus in a small corked bottle or covered jar until required again.

PEAR SPONGE

Make or buy a sponge sandwich and put together with apricot jam and pastry custard. Spread the top also with jam and spread thickly with custard, then arrange some tinned pears on it, tops converging at the centre and the outer side of the pears uppermost. Lay a few halved glacé cherries down the centre of each pear and, preferably with a large rose pipe and bag, fill in the spaces with sweetened whipped cream, and again add a little pistachio nut.

For the pastry custard, put two ounces each of butter, sugar, and flour and two yolks of eggs in a pan and mix in half a pint of warm milk by degrees. Stir over the fire till thick without boiling. Leave to cool. Mix in two tablespoonfuls of cream or tinned milk and a little essence of vanilla or lemon.

BANANA BARQUES

Peel some rather small bananas, level off a little down the side of each and sprinkle them with lemon juice to prevent discoloration. Make the flattened side the top of each "barque," lay some chopped lemon jelly (chopped with a large chopping knife on kitchen paper that has been held under the cold water tap) and pipe whipped cream into the centre of each, or make a border round the jelly.

Now in each boat hoist a sail made of rice paper and pierced by a cocktail stick. If you like, in some of the barques you can have the jelly coloured red, or with a large number use a variety of different coloured and flavoured jellies for effective colour contrast. A pretty arrangement is to set them round a large oval or round dish, all meeting in the centre in sunray effect.

Margery Fyvie

a griller, the burning coffee will emit a strong, pleasant smell that will effectively overpower all cooking odours.

G. G. T.

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SATURDAY & SUNDAY

"JUNGLE JIM"

Part I

"We are Preparing Men and Means for War"

MUSSOLINI BOASTS OF FIGHTING POWER OF ITALIAN NATION

Navy Won't Stay in Port When Hostilities Open

Rome, Mar. 30.

Opening an important speech to the Senate on the fighting Services estimates, Signor Benito Mussolini said that the best defence was the offensive. While Italy had now 44,000,000 people, in 10 years time she would have 50,000,000 in the mother country alone.

There was a round of applause when Il Duce said that many men were needed to form big battalions. He added that the dispatch of two army corps to Lybia, and the drain on the army in Spain had not weakened Italy.

The officers of the Italian army, he said, constituted a hierarchy worthy of the highest respect. "We are preparing men and means for war and a quick decision. There can never be too many guns in proportion to infantry. The gun has always been called the Queen of the battle."

Signor Mussolini proceeded to say that Italy had solved the question of unity of command. The policy, both political and strategical, was the hands and head of the Government.

Italy had a duty, even more than a right, to possess a worthy navy. By 1941 Italy would have eight battleships, four of which would be new. The navy had given proof of its value during the last few years, and its contribution to the Abyssinian campaign was an essential one.

Won't Remain in Harbour

In the next war, Italian warships would not remain in harbour. "You have only to go aboard an Italian warship to see the remarkable improvement the Fascist regime has worked in the physical and moral condition of our sailors," added Il Duce.

All the Italian naval bases have been brought up to date with the latest devices of engineering. "We have a reserve of fuel in Italy for a long period. The naval spirit in the Imperial sense of the word has been born among the Italian people."

The Italian air force, said Mussolini, is composed of several thousands of aeroplanes, many of which are of the most modern type.

There were 48,000 workers in many factories building aeroplanes and aeroplane engines. "Our engineers are trying to invent a bomber which can be equally effective by day and night. We hope to attain complete self-sufficiency in aircraft construction."

Air Force Ready

Italy now had possibly twenty to thirty thousand pilots. The Italian air force, he said, was now becoming a professional skill, and their contempt of danger was unmatched in the world. Hundreds of them now had experience in two wars.

All the ground organisation was ready, said Il Duce. They had many airports and landing grounds, and an unspecified number of hidden landing grounds had been prepared, as well as depots for fuel and explosives of the most destructive power.—Reuter.

U.S. Bomber's Crash Kills Five of Crew

Honolulu, Mar. 30.

Five men are believed to have been killed when a United States naval patrol bomber crashed off the island of Oahu, to-day.

One of the crew, which numbered seven, swam ashore, and another was washed to safety in an unconscious condition.—Reuter.

Names Of Missing And Saved

A new consolidated naval bomber crashed during manoeuvres to-day about 100 yards off western Oahu. The radio operator, G. J. Milles, swam ashore, and an aviation-mechanic's mate, H. F. Bartz, was washed ashore unconscious.

It is feared that five are dead, including the pilot, Lieut. L. O. Crane, Cadet W. H. Lear, and B. J. Windham, G. H. O'Neal and V. A. Luciano, crew.

The Navy Department has officially reported to Washington that there are two survivors and five missing.—United Press.

Admits Mexico Has Right To Expropriate

But Cordell Hull Demands Payment

Washington, Mar. 30.

A statement was issued by Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, to-day, which acknowledged the Mexican Government's right to expropriate American oil properties, but it demanded adequate payment. In the meantime, it is hoped that a fair and equitable solution will be reached.

A message from Mexico City states that conversations are continuing between Mr. Josephus Daniels, United States Ambassador to Mexico, and General Eduardo Hay, Mexican Foreign Minister, regarding the oil and silver questions outstanding between the two countries.

The United States Treasury's action in deferring continuation of the monthly silver purchase arrangements with Mexico on April 1 until further notice, and the reduction in the price of foreign silver, is accepted in responsible circles as an ultimatum.—Reuter.

BRITAIN'S POSITION

London, Mar. 30.

The Government was asked in the House of Lords to-night if it proposed to take any action in connection with the decision of the Mexican Government to expropriate British oil properties.

Lord Plymouth for the Government stated that following upon the publication of the expropriation decree, His Majesty's Government had informed the Mexican Government that it formally reserved its rights. The resulting situation was being carefully examined, to decide what steps could properly be taken to safeguard the interests of British shareholders involved.

In addition, His Majesty's Government has been in contact with the United States Government on the matter, and their Lordships no doubt had seen a report that the United States Government had sent a stern note to the Mexican Government. He was unable to confirm that officially, but His Majesty's Government had been in contact with the United States Government.—British Wireless.

BOND ISSUE TO PAY EXPROPRIATIONS

Mexico City, Mar. 30.

President Lazaro Cardenas has issued a mandate calling a special session of the Senate and Chamber, in order to place on the Statute Book a number of presidential proposals which are very urgent.

These provide for an internal bond issue of 100,000,000 pesos for paying compensation for expropriation of foreign oil companies' holdings.

The script is called the National Redemption Bonds, and does not bear interest for the first ten years, after which there will be a moderate return. Redemption will be made by drawings.—Reuter.

GASOLINE STATION CLOSED

Mexicali, Mex., Mar. 30.

All gasoline stations are closed owing to lack of supplies. Petrol is being conserved to use for farm tractors, machinery, and pumping plants in the irrigation district.

Although they purchased oil previously from the United States suspension of foreign exchange, Mexican dealers are unable to renew supplies.—United Press.

Ambassador In Hongkong

To Meet C-in-C On Way To Chungking

Vice Admiral Sir Percy Noble, Commander-in-Chief of the China Station, will depart for Shanghai at 1.30 p.m. to-morrow in H.M.S. Cumberland.

Prior to his departure for the North, the Commander-in-Chief will confer with the British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, who arrived here to-day by the P. and O. liner Ranpara.

The Ambassador is departing before the end of this week for Chungking, where he will present his credentials to the Chinese Government.

French Fire On Insurgent Air Raiders

Paris, Mar. 30.

French anti-aircraft batteries opened fire to-day on insurgent war planes which were returning along the French frontier after bombing the Spanish town of Port Bou, just over the French border.

It is learned that two people were killed and much damage caused at Port Bou by the raiding planes, which flew along the railway linking Port Bou with Perpignan.—Reuter Bulletin.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS ANSWERS CRITICS

Managing Director Given No Chance To Offer Defence

London, Mar. 30.

The Imperial Airways Company replies to a letter to their shareholders, which, among other things, complains that until the report was published, Imperial Airways had not the least idea that its managing director would be charged with being "intolerant of suggestion, and unyielding in negotiation" or of "taking too narrow and commercial a view of his responsibilities."

The letter alleges that he was condemned without an opportunity of defending himself.

As regards the recommendation concerning alleged staff dissatisfaction, the letter says the company adopted collective bargaining with regard to one group of employees before the Cadman Committee was appointed.

The letter adds that it is unfortunate there have been rival associations claiming to represent certain groups of the staff.

The Board answers other criticisms, approves the committee's recommendation that a full-time chairman be appointed, and finally claims that the company has rendered great service in the development of civil aviation, by vastly improving Empire communications.—Reuter.

CHINESE TRANSPORT LACKS FUEL

Chungking, Mar. 31.

The cessation of motor transport is likely to occur in Chungking in the near future as a result of the new Chinese Exchange regulations, which are forcing foreign oil companies to cease sales owing to the lack of foreign exchange.

All three leading concerns, the British owned Asiatic Petroleum Company, the American Texaco, and the American Standard-Vacuum Oil Company, are now declining to deal.

Representatives of other foreign concerns are doing business, but under considerable difficulties, on a foreign exchange basis, deposits being credited at the exchange rate when the deal is concluded.—Reuter.

BRITAIN WATCHING

London, Mar. 30.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, gave a written reply to Mr. M. C. Morling (Cons.) with regard to the drop in the value of the Chinese dollar, when he said that he was continuing to watch the matter closely with a view to preventing all avoidable difficulties to British trade.—Reuter.

Tornadoes Kill, Injure Many In U.S.

Kansas City, Mar. 30.

Tornadoes scattered the communities in four south-western States, killed at least six people and injured more than 100.

The hardest-hit community was Columbus, near Kansas, where four were killed in a wrecked building. The hospitals are filled with injured people. At Oglesby, Oklahoma, where the population is under 100, all the houses were demolished and the school-house wrecked, four people being buried in the debris and injured while 50 escaped.

In the Shaw district a farmer was killed, while at Conway, Arkansas, a woman died as a result of the hurricane.—United Press.

SOLUTION SOUGHT TO BRAZILIAN LOAN DEFAULT

London, Mar. 30.

The Brazilian Loan default was the subject of a House of Commons question. Mr. P. A. Butler replied that His Majesty's Ambassador at Rio de Janeiro had been in constant touch, not only with representatives of the Council of foreign bond-holders, but with the Brazilian authorities.

It had not so far proved possible to obtain from the Brazilian Government a statement of its intentions, but the House might rest assured that His Majesty's Government would not relax its efforts to obtain a satisfactory solution of the question, to which, as the Prime Minister had already stated, they attached the greatest importance.—British Wireless.

No Room In Colonies For Emigree Jews

Home Secretary Turns Down Suggestion

London, Mar. 30.

Asked in the House of Commons whether the Government would evolve some scheme to offer Jewish and other refugees from Austria, and similarly placed European countries a new home in a suitable British possession overseas, the Colonial Secretary replied that objections to a policy of indiscriminate admission of refugees, mentioned by the Home Secretary on March 22 applied also to the colonies.

Owing to the climatic conditions and the existence of large native populations, there was no territory in the Colonial Empire where any large scale settlement was practicable. The Governors of a number of colonies recently had been consulted as to openings in their territories for individual cases of refugees possessing a small amount of capital, but he regretted that the replies so far received showed such openings were likely to be few.

In another answer on refugees, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs referred to the United States Government's proposal, and said it was hoped to reply at a very early date.—British Wireless.

GOVERNMENT PROMISES AID

London, Mar. 30.

Mr. R. A. Butler, speaking in the House of Commons to-day, stated that the invitation from the United States to co-operate in establishing a special committee to deal with the problem of the emigration of refugees from Austria and Germany, was receiving the prompt and sympathetic consideration of the Government.—Reuter.

Capetown To Leave Station

H.M.S. Capetown, which has spent most of her commissioned service on the China Station, is to depart for the United Kingdom on April 26.

At present at Weihaiwei, the Capetown will return to Hongkong prior to her departure for Home. It is considered improbable that she will return to this Station.

The Capetown is of the 1910-22 construction programme, was on the stocks when the Great War ended, and was not finished until 1922.

She went home in 1936 for thorough overhaul, when her anti-aircraft armament was strengthened and in other ways she was brought up to date.

BRITISH CLAIMS PARTLY PAID

London, Mar. 30.

According to a House of Commons answer, claims have been presented to the Japanese Government for injury or loss of life to members of the British Forces in China totalling £2,420, which sum already has been paid by the Japanese Government.

Instructions have also been sent to His Majesty's Ambassador in Japan for a presentation of claims for damage to merchant shipping suffered during the incidents on the Yangtze last December, the precise amount of which is not yet determined but is in the region of £250,000. Other claims to the number of 34, and amounting to over £7,000 have also been the subject of a preliminary local notification to the Japanese authorities in China.—British Wireless.

MILITARY MISSION TO PORTUGAL PROVING SUCCESSFUL

London, Mar. 30.

Questioned in the House of Commons on the results of the British Military Mission to Portugal, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs said as the mission had only been in Portugal for little more than a month, and was not expected to leave before May, he was not in a position to state the results of the visit. He could, however, say that good progress was being made in its discussions with the Portuguese military authorities.—British Wireless.

Noblemen Of Austria Kept In Custody

Berlin, Mar. 30.

The Austrian Archduke Joseph Ferdinand, who was recently placed in "protective" custody, has been removed to a concentration camp.

Other members of the Austrian nobility also have been placed in the same camp.—Reuter Bulletin.

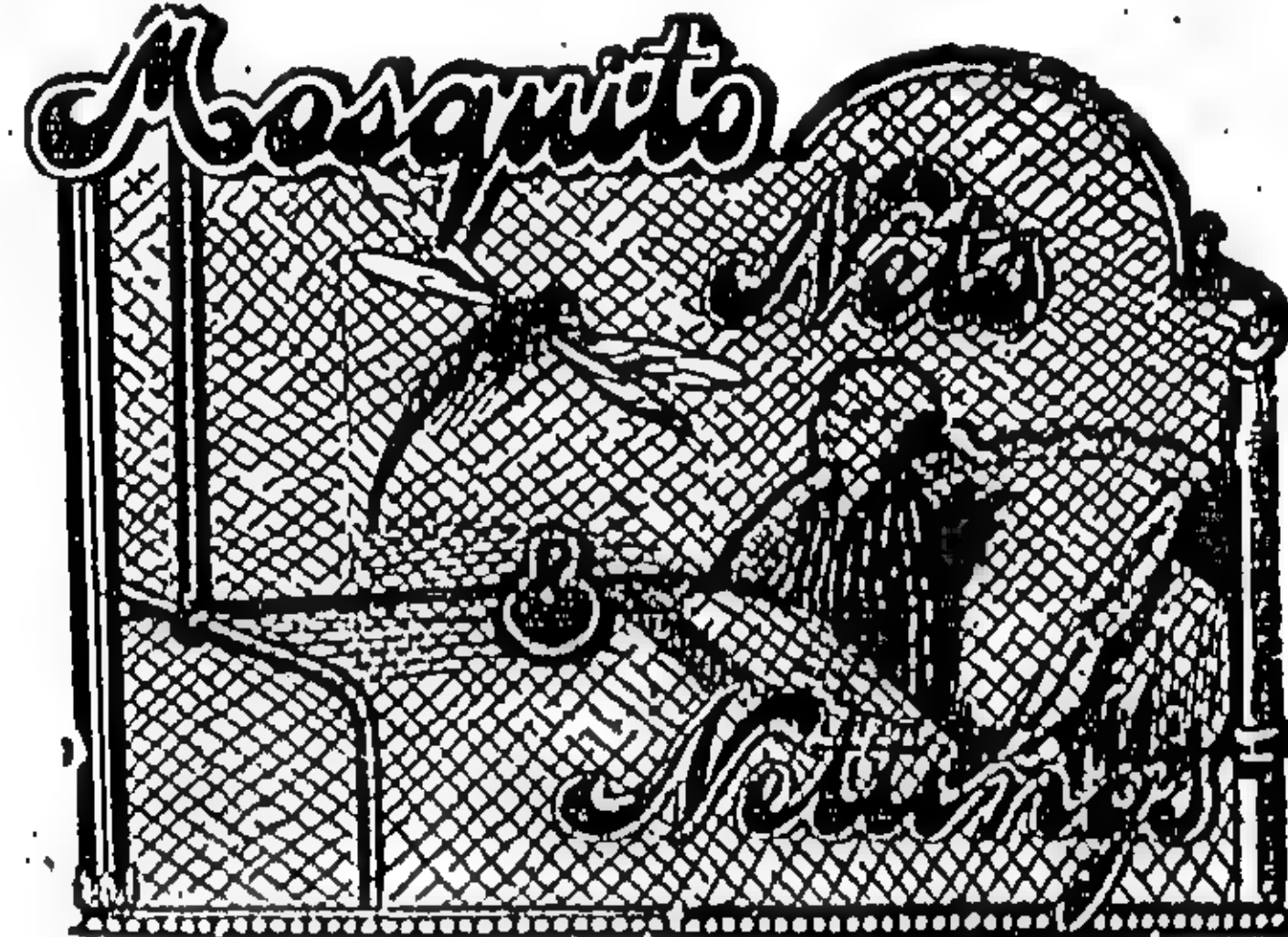
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Government Angered By Raid On Ship

Strong Protest To Insurgents

London, Mar. 30. When the bombing of the British ship, Stanwell, by insurgent planes, was raised in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. R. A. Butler stated that after careful consideration of all the evidence, the Government had come to the conclusion that the vessel was the object of a deliberate attack.

The British Agent at Burgos had accordingly been instructed to inform the insurgent authorities to this effect, and to enter a strong protest against the incident, which the Government regarded as entirely unjustifiable.

The British Agent had been instructed to demand an investigation, while the Government reserved the right to claim, in due course, full compensation for persons and property resulting from the attack.—*Reuter*.

RECRUITING LEVEL MAINTAINED

London, Mar. 30. Regular Army recruits continue to enrol in record-breaking numbers. Last week's intake was 710 an increase of 435, or more than 158 per cent. over the figures for the corresponding week last year. London, West Lancashire and the North-Midlands had the best returns.—*British Wireless*.

WARSAW'S THREAT TO PRAGUE

Czecho-Slovakia Communist Rampart, Poland Charges

Warsaw, Mar. 30. Possibly foreshadowing diplomatic action by the Prague Government the Polish press to-day attacked Czecho-Slovakia. The newspaper, *Express Poranny* wrote:

"If other national groups in Czecho-Slovakia demand autonomy, the Poles are equally entitled to it. Czecho-Slovakia must cease to be the Central European rampart of the Communist Internationale. If Prague is not ready to co-operate with Warsaw, it must bear the full responsibility for any future consequences."—*United Press*.

German Agents Reported Active Even in London

London, Mar. 30. The activity of German secret police in London was raised in a House of Commons question to-day. The questioner added that Germans, living in London, have been watched, and their movements reported to Berlin. The Home Secretary, Sir Herbert Samuel, replied that it had been evidence that pressure had been put on Germans living in Britain, he would take action to stop it.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

New Scheme To Assure Employment

Human Resources Board For U.S.

Washington, Mar. 30. It is learned that Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary to the Treasury, will soon present to President Roosevelt a plan for long-range treatment of relief and unemployment problems.

It is authoritatively stated that Mr. Morgenthau believes that a governmental body is necessary to plan and prepare the economic and social field for a shock absorbing cushion for future depressions. It is suggested that it be named the National Human Resources Board.

It would not be an administration, but a permanent investigating and planning board.

Friends state that Mr. Morgenthau was nettled by W. P. A.'s sudden demand for \$250,000,000 for additional relief funds earlier in the year, which led him to the conclusion that the Government needed constant and reliable information on employment relief.

In effect the board would conduct a constant labour census.—*United Press*.

SULTAN PLANS DIVORCE FROM BRITISH WIFE

Singapore, Mar. 31. The Sultan of Johore has announced that he will divorce his wife, the former Mrs. Helen Wilson, in accordance with the Moslem faith.

The marriage remains valid in English law as the couple were married at the Kensington Registry Office, as well as at the Woking mosque.

The Sultan goes to Ceylon for a holiday on April 1.—*Reuter*.

KING AND SULTAN EXCHANGE GIFTS

London, Mar. 30. The Sultan of Muscat and Oman, who is at present the guest of His Majesty's Government, drove to Buckingham Palace this morning and was received in audience by the King.

After His Majesty had invested the Sultan with the insignia of K.C.I.E. the King accepted a jewelled sword from the Sultan.

Later in the morning the King and Queen received members of the Waiata Maori party, who are at present on a visit to Britain. The party consists of a male and female choir. The members were presented to the King by Chief Pihama, who greeted the King and Queen and sang in Maori to them.—*British Wireless*.

COMMISSION FOR PALESTINE INQUIRY NOW COMPLETED

London, Mar. 30. The remaining member of the Palestine Partition Commission appointed to-day is Mr. Thomas Reid, who served in the Ceylon Civil Service till 1931, and recently presided over the League of Nations Commission charged with the organisation and superintendence of the elections in Sanjak of Alexandretta. It is expected the commission, of which the chairman is Sir John Woodhead, and the other members, Sir Alison Russell and Mr. A. P. Waterfield, will leave for Palestine to arrive just after the Easter ceremonies in Jerusalem.—*British Wireless*.



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TRANSPORT CAN BE PROTECTED

Lessons Of Home Fleet Exercises

London, Mar. 30. The Home Fleet's important two-day and air manoeuvres proved that troop transport carriers, which were represented by battleships, protected in the first place by an outer destroyer patrol, and then by cruisers, would normally have 15 to 20 minutes warning before a bombing attack, and all anti-aircraft guns could be manned in readiness.

Furthermore, aircraft would also have to pass a barrier put up by the cruisers' anti-aircraft guns.—*Reuter*.

"RUNNER" ABOARD EMPRESS LINER

Siu Kam-yau, 27, a boarding house runner, appeared before Cmdr. J. B. Newill, Deputy Harbour Master, in the Marine Court this morning, charged with unlawful boarding of the Empress of Japan yesterday.

HONGKONG JUNKS SEIZED

Carrying Salt Cargo To Macao

It is reported to-day that three Hongkong junks, numbered 2604V, 2608V and 2158V, which were on the way to Macao carrying between them a cargo of 282 tons of salt, were stopped by Japanese warship No. 23 on the afternoon of March 28 when near Kow Chow Island, Chinese Territory.

The next morning they were towed alongside another large Japanese warship which was lying off Sam Kok Island. Their crews, numbering 37, including women and children, were eventually sent on to Macao in two fishing boats which the Japanese had previously captured, but the junks and cargo were retained.

The three junks were towed, when seized, by a Hongkong owned steam launch, the Kwong Hing.

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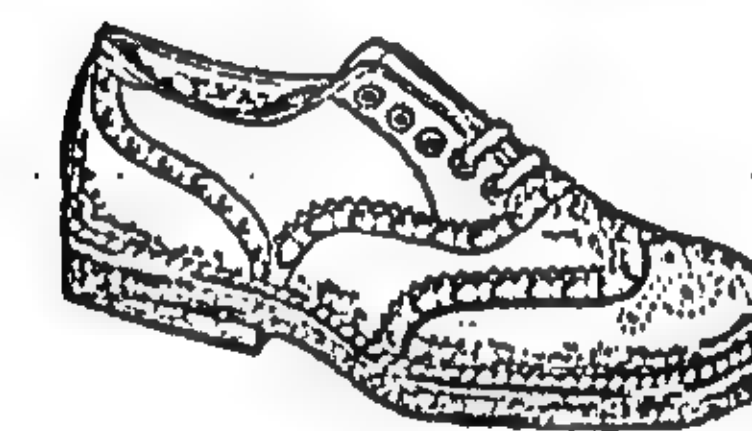
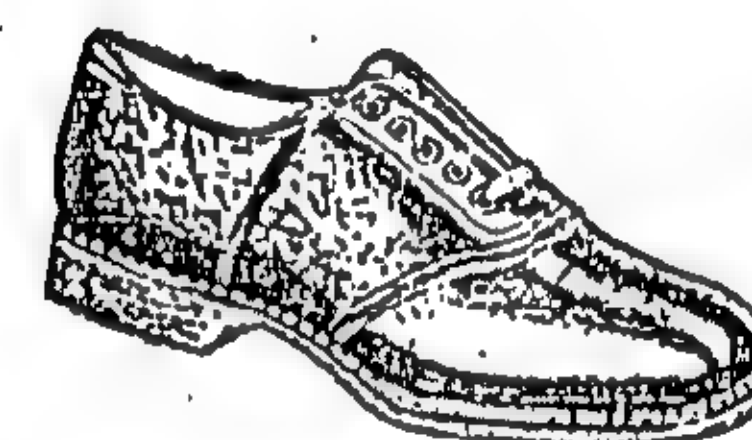
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PASTEURISATION PROBLEM

Dr. A. de Basto's criticism of
the proposed legislation for the
compulsory pasteurisation of
reconstituted milk, which he
raised at the Urban District
Council meeting yesterday, was
timely and instructive, even
though, apparently, it made
little or no impression on the
convictions of his colleagues,
none of whom was disposed to
support his amendments. Never-
theless, the debate enabled the
public to gain a quickened ap-
preciation and knowledge of
what precisely is reconstituted
milk, and of the various issues
which have made pasteurisation
such a highly controversial sub-
ject.

An analysis of Dr. Basto's
speech leaves the emphasis
more on what he failed to prove
rather than the points he more
or less successfully scored. Dr.
Basto's chief contentions were:
1. Why trouble to pasteurise
milk constituents which have
already been made sterile? 2.
By enforcing this pasteurisation
the "little man", struggling in
competition with the heavily-
capitalised concerns, must be
put out of business, as he can-
not afford the expensive plant
needed for scientific and legal
pasteurisation; 3. Pasteurisa-
tion in Hongkong does not
automatically guarantee the
elimination of an infected milk
supply, simply because the pro-
cess calls for expert knowledge
of its mechanics, as well as ex-
pert supervision; 4. Is Hong-
kong in a position to satisfy
such requirements?

If at first sight logic appears
to bolster Dr. Basto's open-
ing point, the majority will
be inclined to adopt Mr. R.
R. Todd's view that it
is better to play on the
safe side, and, while going
through the heating process for
reconstituting milk to adopt the
technique of pasteurisation as
an safeguard against possible
infection during the time the
milk constituents were sepa-
rated. There might have been
more point to Dr. Basto's
argument had he demonstrated
that in the process of pasteuris-
ing reconstituted milk, valuable
food qualities were lost. But
no attempt was made to show
this, and presumably there are
no such effects.

This is of vital concern to the
users of reconstituted pas-
teurised milk, and in issues such
as those raised by the Urban
Council's proposed legislation, is
of far more importance than
the alleged illogicality of
pasteurisation, or the possible
elimination of the small in-
dividual competitor. Mr. Todd,
in his explanation of the new
legislation, admitted that in the
process of separating the con-

THERE are two main
questions in the milk
problem. Is it good?
The Urban Council is
answering the latter ques-
tion in its campaign to
persuade us that milk is
one of the most valuable of
human foods only when it is
pasteurised.

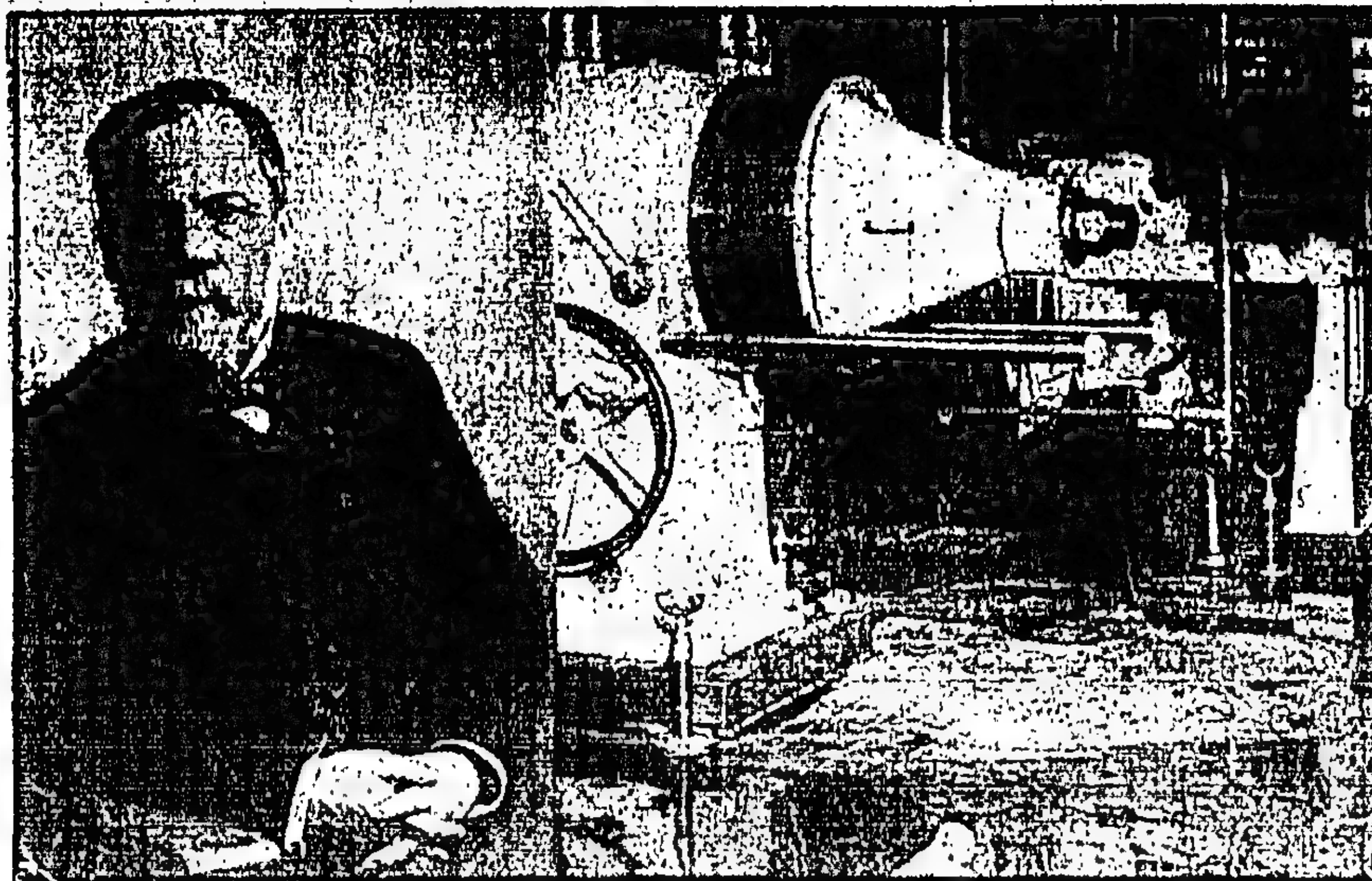
In spite of the enormous in-
crease in milk drinking at pre-
sent, the consumption is far less
in this Colony than in other
countries. Here, on an average,
we each drink only half a pint a
day. Food experts say that
while this may be enough for a
healthy adult children must have
at least one to two pints, while
expectant and nursing mothers
ought not to be satisfied with
less than two pints a day. In
the campaign against under-
nourishment increased consump-
tion of milk must play a very
important part.

BUT this vital food must
be free from infec-
tion and by one means or an-
other made safe, and at once.
There are two main ways in
which milk can become danger-
ous. If the cow is diseased the
milk, even before it has left the

stituents of fresh milk, certain
vitamins are lost, but apparently
neither the medical profession
nor the scientists are satisfied
that this essentially depreciates
the milk as a vitalizing food.

More striking, because the of-
ficial reply was less convincing,
was Dr. Basto's query of Hong-
kong's possession of workers
with the required highly techni-
cal knowledge of the pasteuris-
ing process, or of experts
capable of supervising and in-
specting the work to ensure
freedom of contamination be-
tween the time the milk is taken
from the cow until its delivery
to the purchaser. Dr. Selwyn-
Clarke, the Director of Medical
Services, only generalised when
he said that health officers do
exist in the Colony who have
been specially trained for the
purpose of supervising pasteuris-
ation, while apparently, only
one man is known to the San-
itary Inspectorate who is "not
an illiterate coolie, but a man
who had received special train-
ing in the conduct of a pasteuris-
ation plant". Such assurances
do not compel a very deep con-
viction that the Sanitary
Department is in a position to
guarantee 100 per cent. effective
pasteurisation, and the Colony
will feel very much happier if,
and when, the Director of
Medical Services can offer such
a guarantee.

By and large, however, the
Urban District Council appears
to be justified in its insistence
upon compulsory pasteurisation
of reconstituted milk. It has
admitted the legality of such a
commodity and it has now done
its best to assure that users of
the milk will be safeguarded as
are those who use fresh milk.
—S.A.G.



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PASTEURISATION: FOR AND AGAINST

By A Medical Correspondent

udder, contains germs that may
seriously affect consumers.
Secondly, it may become con-
taminated by anyone who
handles it on its way from the
dairy to the home.

The obvious and ideal way of
preventing milk-borne disease is
to make sure that the supplies
come from healthy herds in
hygienic surroundings, and that
every precaution is taken that no
germ should enter the milk once
it has been drawn.

The alternative is to treat all
milk as potentially infected, and
to heat it enough to kill the
germs. Boiling alters the
flavour and to some extent the
composition. The cleansing can,
however, be achieved without
raising the temperature as high
as boiling point. The most com-
monly used method is to raise
the temperature of the milk to
145 deg. Fahrenheit, let it stay
there for half an hour, and to
cool it rapidly. This is "pas-
teurising" it.

THE position is much
better than it was.
For example, the bulk of Hong-
kong's milk supply—if not all—
is now pasteurised.

Those who oppose pasteurisa-
tion do so mainly on the ground
that it will allow producers to
neglect hygienic precautions.
They might rely on the process
to destroy the effects of sloven-
ly methods. Another objection
is that it impairs the nutritive

value, destroying the vitamins
and making milk less digestible.
As Lord Carnworth recently said
it remains a good beverage but
it is not milk. There is no doubt
that if there were no other food
for us to eat milk would be bet-
ter taken raw.

To these objections those who
want pasteurisation to be made
compulsory for all milk answer
that it will take many years to
make every milk-producing herd
free from tuberculosis alone. A
periodic examination, however
often it is made, commonly fails
to reveal disease in a cow that is
giving grossly infected milk.
About one-fifteenth of all raw
milk and some 40 per cent. of
dairy cows may harbour the
tubercle bacillus.

There is no reason why clean-
liness should not also be com-
pulsory, as it is if the milk is to
be "certified." Tests of samples
can easily reveal slovenly meth-
ods. Though a proportion of the
vitamins are destroyed an
experiment carried out by the
National Institute for Research
in Dairying showed that a pint
of pasteurised milk is only
slightly less nutritious than a
pint of untreated milk.

Vitamin C is the most affected
and only a fifth disappears, an
amount important only to child-
ren, which can be easily supplied
in a little orange juice. The
flavour cannot be very bad if
about 90 per cent. of the milk
in Hongkong and the large cities
is pasteurised without complaint.

Should Milk Be Pasteurised?

Around this question experts
to-day are arguing fiercely.

Here a doctor (who, for
reasons of medical etiquette,
is unable to sign his name)
gives the views put forward by
each side in support of their
case.

Louis Pasteur (1822-1895)
discovered that by raising the
temperature of milk to 145°
F., and keeping it there for a
period of 30 minutes, and
cooling it immediately to 55°
F. tubercular germs in milk are
destroyed.

The supporters of the method
point to the diseases that would
have been prevented if pas-
teurisation were compulsory.
The most important caused by
an infected cow is tuberculosis.
Of course, many of us can imbibe
and carry tuberculous germs
about with us all our lives with-
out ill-effect. But it is estimat-
ed that nearly 100 deaths every
week in Hongkong, mostly in
young children, are due to tuber-
cle bacillus, much of which may
be conveyed in milk or its pro-
ducts. It is the commonest
cause of tuberculosis of bones,
joints, glands and the digestive
tract.

BUT there are other
dangers. A single
dairyman who suffers from sore
throat, or who is a typhoid, dys-
entery, or diphtheria carrier,
may be responsible for a large
epidemic.

The British committee on
cattle diseases in 1934 gave a
list of outbreaks at Home known
to the Ministry of Health to be
due to human contamination of
milk which included 30 epide-
mics of typhoid, 14 of dysentery,
and 28 of scarlet fever. In 1929
one epidemic alone affected 1,000
families, with 65 deaths, all
traceable to infected milk. Even
first-class, clean milk is not free
from this risk without pas-
teurisation. Hongkong's dysen-
tery epidemic last year is too
recent to need comment. It was
due to infected milk.

IT should be no more
necessary to sterilise
our milk before we drink it than
it is to boil our water. But
there are three important dif-
ferences: milk has an animal
source liable to disease; it is
continually being handled; and
germs find it a good place for
breeding. For the drinking of
untreated milk to be entirely
safe—and partial success is use-
less—an enormous organisation
is needed, with local and health
authorities, veterinary surgeons,
and farmers closely co-operating.

There is a shortage to-day of
veterinary surgeons, and even
without this it would take years
for a perfect organisation to put
milk on the same level as water
for purity, to say nothing of the
human element and the carrier
problem. Pasteurisation is ex-
pensive, but it is safe. Until
tuberculosis and the other trans-
missible bovine diseases are
eradicated there seems no other
way of ensuring a pure and safe
supply.

Meanwhile neither children
nor adults should stop drinking
milk. But parents should in-
quire of their milk distributors
whether their supply is "tuber-
culin tested" or "pasteurised,"
and wherever there is doubt of
the purity of the supply the milk
should be boiled.

Observer

Fishermen's Money

DURING several years acquaintance
with the fishermen of the North-
East I have made observations and
collected stories regarding their
habits as financiers. From his own
point of view, first and foremost,
the fisherman is strictly honest, but
subsequent incidents will reveal
that point of view is peculiarly his
own.

During a religious revival, one man
went into a shop and told the shop-
keeper that he had "put on the new
man." "Glad to hear it," said the
man behind the counter. "Perhaps
you will pay me the money you owe
me." "Oh, that's the old man," said
the fisherman, and hastily retired
from the unsympathetic environment.

When in possession of money the
average fisherman spends freely,
sometimes extravagantly, and if a
recent account is presented at the
time of plenty, it is likely to be paid
without demur. But if the account
is of long standing it is reckoned a
hardship to have to pay it at all,
and the hardship grows with the
length of credit. He does not usually
tender payment of an account, and it
is therefore prudent to present it to
him when he is in funds.

Safety in Distance

Once his money is deposited in the
bank it takes something in the nature
of an earthquake to dislodge it from
its safe resting. He may withdraw
it to buy a new boat or to have a
share in a new boat, but that is about
all.

A creditor who is pressing for
money finds it very difficult to dis-
cover where the money is deposited.
It is certainly not likely to be in the
nearest bank. It is more probably
in towns or villages many miles

away. If there are £100 to be de-
posited, the fisherman takes his
bicycle and goes to an inland village
ten miles away, and puts £50 into the
bank there. Then he cycles on to
another village, the same distance
farther on, and there he leaves the
remaining £50 with the banker.
The two sums are usually deposited
on the same day, and in due course
they will on the same day, be with-
drawn in order that the interests may
be compared and to ensure that the
bankers are taking no unscrupulous
advantage of the client.

Rents are particularly obnoxious
form of debt, to be paid only when
there is no help for it. Generally
the duty of making or evading the
payment falls upon the fisherman's
spouse, whose fertility of combination
of excuse and lofty rebuke is con-
veyed by: "You'll get your rent when
the Lord giest to us." And when
may that be? "The Lord knows."

Insult to Injury

Other incidents show the workings
of the fisherman's mind. A baker
told a friend of mine that he once
had an account of £50 against a
fisherman, an account spread over
many years. The baker had contin-
ued to give credit in the hope that
some day the amount at stake would
be paid up.

One day, however, the customer
called on him to ask for a loan of £20.
It was naturally refused. The fish-
man pressed for the loan until the
baker lost patience with him and told
him that he himself was in straits
for money. "But you must lend it
to me," said the customer indignantly.
"Look at the amount o' breed I buy
for ye."

Heroism of China Coast Seafarers Praised

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION SHIPS HAD TRYING YEAR

Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson Looks into Future

Loyalty of the sea-going staff which often amounted to heroism, dangerous and adventurous days up and down the China Coast, the effect of war, and the prospects for the future of traders in the Far East, were among the highlights of the address delivered at the annual general meeting of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company by the chairman, Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, to-day.

Mr. Paterson referred to the need for a bigger fleet and mentioned the difficulties of chartering vessels to retain valuable business. His outlook was not pessimistic, but he warned against the possibility of the world's shipping attempting to concentrate in Far East waters with the coming of peace. Past experience had taught that such action did not lead to fortune.

Mr. Paterson's address follows:

As the Report and Statement of Accounts have been in your hands for some days I will, with your permission, take them as read.

Few of us out here to-day will forget the year 1937, marked by the regrettable outbreak of fighting between Japan and China in July, fighting which still continues. Up to that moment there had been a great improvement in trade and there seems little doubt that except for the trouble mentioned the year would have closed with prospects as bright as they were in January.

With the outbreak of war the inevitable dislocation of business followed; later a determination to trade found new outlets.

In the past the Chairman has dealt separately with each of our services. I am afraid it isn't possible to draw so definite a line to-day for some have been suspended and others so merged together that I can only give you a general survey of the whole. For the first seven months each line showed a satisfactory improvement over the corresponding periods of the past few years and I believe that had normal trading conditions continued we should have been very satisfied with the final results.

SHIPS CAME SOUTH

When war came to Shanghai, coastal trades suffered, but it was possible to employ the larger part of our coasters in the southern chartering markets though later a boom across the Pearl River stopped them from going up to Canton.

Meanwhile a few of our smaller vessels kept touch with the most important coast ports though you will realize how difficult this was. These ships did well.

Despite the extensive area covered by the war, at no time did our ships fail to run somewhere on the coast or Yangtze, and it was only for the fortnight immediately following the bombing of Shanghai on August 14 that we had no ships in and out of that port. To avoid the obvious danger it was decided to send all the Company's vessels except two small river steamers in dock to a newly created safety zone outside Woosung. Later calls at Shanghai were resumed, not however without the management and the floating staff having to overcome innumerable difficulties. Ships were berthed at the Bund, and still are.

YANGTSE BOOM

Turning to the Yangtze; in August the Chinese authorities placed a boom of sunken ships across the river near the Kiangyin Forts and we were left with river steamers either side of the obstruction. With very great enterprise those at Shanghai managed to reorganize the pieces and operate the two ends and the middle. Later further barriers were imposed. Before they were, however, it was possible to get some of our ships back to Shanghai where they have since been employed.

You have seen in the Press that the Tuckwo and the hulk Madras II at Wuhu were destroyed by Japanese action. The ship was actually about to leave the hulk higher up the Yangtze.

A claim has been formulated, is in the hands of His Majesty's Government and for the moment this aspect of the disaster must be considered as sub judice. I do, however, want to put on record the valiant efforts of the Master, the officers and the crew in trying to save the ship at the greatest danger to themselves.

GALLANT CREW

The loss of life, eight sailors and ten boys, might have been far greater; in an affair where all conducted themselves with great bravery, thanks and admiration are due to Captain J. W. Hurst, O.B.E., the Admiralty Pilot who acquired a tug, the Chengyang, and took off those on Tuckwo.

admit that the immediate outlook is certainly not cheerful with China and Japan engaged in a bitter struggle. Our deepest sympathies go out to all those who have suffered. But trade has remarkable recuperative powers here in the Far East and there will be much to do when once again it takes its normal and unhampered course. So far 1938 has begun quite well but I hope outside shipping may not be unduly attracted to these parts as happened after the Russo-Japanese and Great War. Their owners will find as they did before that they chase a chimera.

Turning to the Statement of Accounts, the items debited to revenue amount to £142,008.8.5d. and include the balance brought forward from 1937 account £12,000.0.0d., general charges £2,740.10.0d., depreciation £105,733.0.0d., floating staff pensions £10,701.17.9d. and interest £6,164.4.0d. On the credit side of the account the higher earnings of the Company are reflected in the net balance of steamers working account which stands at £270,817.13.4d., transfer fees £1,700.10.4d. exchange adjustment £1,700.10.4d. due chiefly to a gain in exchange on remittance to meet Sterling liabilities, the rates obtained during the year being more favourable than the closing rate on December 31.

PAYING THEIR WAY

After allowing for all these there remains a credit of £120,508.4.11d. of which £120,000 has been transferred to general reserve and £508.4.11d. carried forward to the year 1938. It is to be regretted there are no funds available for distribution to shareholders as the profits of the year have been utilized to liquidate the overdraft due to the General Managers which on December 31, 1937 amounted to £128,020.15.5d. and to repay to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation part of the sum advanced by them during the year on account of new tonnage £10,220.5.8d. is shown as due to the Bank on December 31, 1937 and while this has since been paid off, there remains to-day a liability of £125,000 as I've already told you. In the circumstances your Directors considered it advisable, in addition to providing normal depreciation for 1937, to write down further the value of the fleet by the amount which in ordinary way would have been applied to 1938 had the Company been able to meet depreciation in that year.

Once again the Directors have waived their fees of £1,500 per annum and this money will not be held in suspense.

Coming to the balance sheet, there is a slight reduction of £8,000 in the book value of steamships, hulks, etc. compared with 1936, the write off being greater by that amount than the additions to the fleet which include the instalments financed by the bank during the year on the three new ships. Sundry debtors in China and London, agents balances, coal and stores all show slight increases due to the greater turnover and the higher cost of coal, etc., but all the amounts owing to the Company have been accounted for.

With regard to the liabilities, general reserve has been increased by £120,000 by the transfer from revenue account. There is a small reduction in underwriting account due to sundry accidents not covered by insurance, while special repairs and renewals remain practically unchanged. Sundry creditors in China and London now appear at £105,807.2.1d. as compared with £216,852.14.5d. in 1936, the overdraft due to the General Managers of £128,020.15.5d. having been paid off. The item of £80,040.15.5d. shows a slight decrease and has since been paid while the sum of £19,220.5.8d. appearing in the name of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation represents the balance of the loan account outstanding at the close of the year.

PAY CUT RESTORED

The contingent liability for cumulative preferred dividends for 12 years amounts to £178,520.8.0d. In June the restoration of the 10 per cent reduction in salaries made during the longer years was agreed to and with it pay was drawn at current rates of exchange.

Before I leave the subject of accounts I want to read to you a telegram the General Managers have received this morning:

"On behalf of over 100 customers holding preferred and deferred we protest against depreciation charge following 1934 write-down—Emorhago London."

This telegram I suppose to be sent by a firm of stock brokers representing a hundred of our shareholders. When the ships were written down at the end of 1934 they were given a definite economic life, it is necessary, you will agree, whenever possible to live up to the schedule then laid down, and depreciate annually. Lack of profits, and depletion of general reserves which were almost used up in 1934, prevented us doing anything for the year 1935, we are able to make this provision in 1937. Had this money not gone to depreciation for 1935 it must have been transferred to general reserve.

PROVIDING FOR FUTURE

Depreciation is really intended to provide for replacement of wear and tear, in our case ships, hulks etc. We have to-day no liquid reserves to meet these replacements and have to borrow from the bank.

The extent of this borrowing you know and you now know too that more ships are required.

Without further evidence I cannot suppose that this telegram implies a request for a dividend, however the Company has no money to pay dividends and would, in fact, have to borrow to do so.

U.S. WANTS FRIENDLY SOLUTION

In Spite Of Strong Note To Mexico

Mexico City, Mar. 30. President Lázaro Cárdenas conferred with members of the Government to-day regarding the United States strong representations. He described Ambassador Josephus Daniels' protest as a diplomatic step. However, apparently it was a strong protest, and it is noteworthy that before the expropriation, Mr. Daniels told General Eduardo Rios, Mexican Foreign Minister, that he would consider it a "calamity" if they did not reach an agreement with the companies.

Unprecedented action was taken by Mr. Daniels to-day when he issued a statement in writing which said: "I have just finished talking to Mr. Cordell Hull. I talked with General Hay about the situation that prevails and the seriousness of it, and about Mr. Hull's deep feeling that he wished the matter to be adjusted in a way consistent with the friendship of the two countries, and the rights which attach to both nations. There is a sincere desire to find a solution which is perfectly just and in accord with the policies of the United States."

The indications are that the United States will seek a friendly solution to avoid the appearance of doing anything which might seem counter to Mexico's sovereignty, and which might antagonise nationalist sentiments.—United Press.

REFUGEE KILLED IN HONGKONG

A refugee in the Colony, Siu Koo, 23, residing at 80 Main Street West, Shaikwan, was killed when he ran across the road into a tramcar opposite his home yesterday.

I now propose that the Report and Statement of Accounts as presented be adopted, that £120,000 be transferred to general reserve and the £508.4.11d. be carried forward to the year 1938.

As soon as this has been seconded I shall be glad to answer to the best of my ability any questions shareholders may wish to ask.

Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson seconded the motion and Mr. W. E. Kirby, Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Club and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China, said—

MR. W. E. KIRBY SPEAKS

I am sure we have listened with more than usual interest to the address which the Chairman has given us, summarising as it does the activities of the Company over a period the second half of which will not be remembered for its extreme difficulty and hazardous possibilities where the operation of coastal and river shipping was concerned. The favourable showing attained as a result of the year's working is indeed a very creditable reflection on the joint efforts of shore and floating staffs and there is little doubt but that such achievement has been contributed to in no minor measure by the close co-operation which characterises the working of those departments.

I am sure I interpret rightly what we all feel when I say we are conscious of a particular and deep obligation to those of the Company's employees serving ashore and afloat on the Yangtze and in North China. The manner in which they have upheld the Company's prestige during a period when the qualities of that and forbearance were severely tested under circumstances of acute suspense and at times intense provocation, is deserving of high commendation.

I thank the Chairman for his reference to the endeavour of the floating staff and I know that all ranks in the fleet will appreciate that expression for the sincerity which prompts its utterance. Happily, there has always existed between the General Managers of this Company and their employees something more than a mere business regard for each other's interests. I think it may be said that the Company has a human concern for the employees' welfare and in the maintenance of that outlook the General Managers will, or should, always be able to command the highest standard of employee and the utmost respect and loyalty from those who work for the Company. I venture to add that it is a principle which might, with resultant advantages, be emulated by the managements of other companies.

I would avail myself of this occasion to assure the Chairman that his friendly advice and assistance on matters of mutual interest which I have found it necessary to refer to him, have indeed been appreciated.

The Report was then passed unanimously. The retiring Director, Sir Robert Ho Tung, on the motion of Mr. F. C. Hall, seconded by Mr. M. H. Lo, was re-elected.

On the motion of Mr. H. W. Duley Mr. John Fleming and Mr. E. M. Bryden were re-elected auditors at a remuneration of \$6,000.

Those present at the meeting were: Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, Hon. Mr. M. T. Johnson, Mr. S. T. Williamson, Directors, Mr. P. T. H. Grievie, Mr. A. L. Tallion, Mr. J. McGilg, Mr. A. C. Wilcox, Mr. Chan Wink, Mr. M. H. Lo, Mr. Chui Sul-nam, Mr. A. M. da Silva, Mr. H. W. Duley, Mr. R. A. Wadson, Mr. J. P. Fleming, Mr. F. C. Hall, Mr. W. E. Kirby and Mr. D. F. Landale.

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Talk by Empire Director of B.B.C.

CHILDREN'S HOUR

Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on Frequencies of 845 k.c.s.; 9.52 m.c.s. per second.

8.03-11.0 Chinese Programme: 5.0 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(n) Remember Me?; (b) Bob White; (c) Here comes the Sandman; (d) You Can't Stop Me From Dreaming.

5.15 Interval of recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W.

5.20 (a) A Foggy Day; (b) Things are looking up; (c) Nice work if you can get it; (d) The Dippy Doodle.

5.35 Interval of recorded Dance Music from Z.B.W.

5.45 (a) Am I in Love; (b) Be a Good Sport; (c) So Many Memories; (d) Wadlin' at the Walldorf.

6.0 Studio—The Children's Hour.

7.0 A concert by Elizabeth Schumann (Soprano) and Mischa Levitzki (Piano).

Eccossaise (Beethoven); Sonata in A Major (Scarlatti); Mischa Levitzki; Der Vogel im Wald (Tauber, adapted by Karl Ajwin); Was I Hab (Carl Böhm); Elizabeth Schumann; La Campanella (Paganini—Liszt); Mischa Levitzki; Vogel Lied, Op. 41, No. 4 (Weingartner); Caprice Viennois (Kreutzer); Elizabeth Schumann; Hungarian Rhapsody No. 12 (Liszt); Mischa Levitzki.

7.32 Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.35 Variety.

Humorous—Backscratcher (Max Miller); Imps (Max Miller); Max Miller; Accordion Band—Six Hits Of The Day No. 16; Primo Scala's Accordion Band, with vocal chorus; Vocal—Vienna Bonbons—Waltz Song (Joh. Strauss—H. Bodenshtadt); Gipsy Love (Lehar—Willner—Bodenshtadt); Joseph Schmidt (Tenor); Orchestra—"The Gay Nineties"; Waltz Medley—New Mayfair Orchestra with vocal refrain.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Chinese Programme—Studio Concert.

11.0 Close Down. Radio Programme Broadcast by Z.B.W. on a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.03 Concert Waltzes.

Castanets (Willy Reichartz); It Happened In Vienna (Ferry Muhr); Orchestra Mascotte; Ever Or Never (Waldteufel); Orchestra Mascotte.

8.15 London Relay—A Talk by the Empire Programme Director.

8.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog".

Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by Pascoe Thornton and S. E. Reynolds.

9.0 Military Band Selections.

Mirella—Overture (Gounod, Arr. O'Donnell); The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band conducted by B. Walton O'Donnell; The Jolly Robbers Overture (Suppe); The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band conducted by B. W. O'Donnell.

9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs".

A talk by J. L. Briery, O.B.E., Chichele Professor of International Law in the University of London.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.

Overture "Impresario" (Mozart); Overture "King Lear", Op. 4 (Berlioz); "Prince Igor"—Polovits March, (Rimsky Korsakov); Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

10.10 Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

Melodie (Rubinstein and Bernhoff); Night And Day (From "The Gay Divorcee"); Let Me Love You To Night (Clifford Grey—Jack Waller—Joseph Tunbridge).

10.20 Rale da Costa at the Piano.

Sweet And Lovely (Arnheim, Tobias and Lemare); Many Happy Returns Of The Day (Kennedy and Dobson); "Sunshine Sisle"—Medley.

.... Rale da Costa with Harry Jacobson (Piano Duet).

10.30 Dance Music.

Fox-Trot—Alone Again (Wooda); A Melody From The Sky (From "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine"); Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Tango—My Lost Love (Coblan and Kennedy); Quickstep—On The Isle Of Kikilymboko (Pola and Chase); Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Smoke Dreams (Broad and Brown); There's That Look In Your Eyes Again (From "Heid over Heels"); Peter Yorke and His Orchestra with vocal refrain; Rent Party Blues (Ellington); Doing The Voom Voom (Miley, Ellington); Duke Ellington and His Orchestra; Waltz—One Kiss In A Million (de Rose and Lewley); Fox-Trot—Love, Please Stay (Haydn and Mayer); Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orchestra.

11.0 Close Down.



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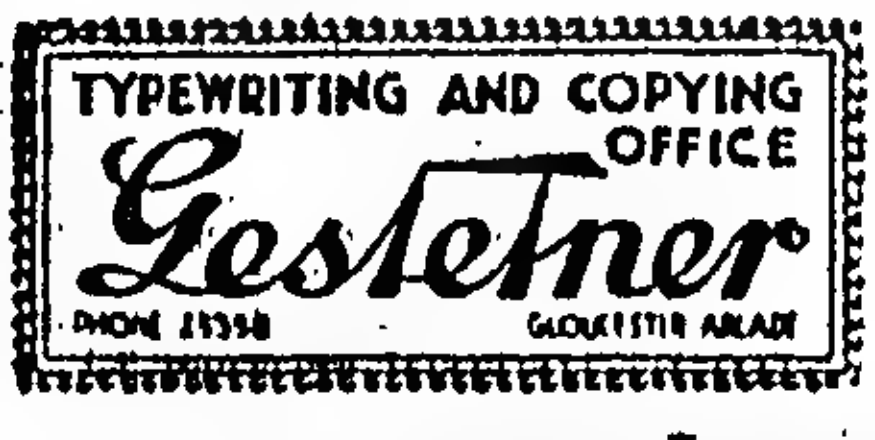
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ISLINGTON

CORINTHIANS HELD TO DRAW MATCH

By "The Pilgrim" Weekly Hockey Notes

SAINTS OVERCOME H. K. LADIES Win Replay For Southern Cup

St. Andrew's played fast and fine hockey to defeat the Hongkong Ladies by one goal to nil at King's Park last Saturday in the replay for the runners-up position in the Caer Clark Cup.

There was scarcely a weak link in their team. Their inside right, Miss E. Churn, schemed the way to victory, when after five minutes play in a brilliant movement she sent the Hongkong Ladies' goal-keeper standing. From the start, the skill and speed of the Saints front line caused the Hongkong Ladies' defence much trouble. With Miss J. Gittins through to beat Mrs. Lunsford with a first timer which left the Hongkong Ladies' goal-keeper standing. From the start, the skill and speed of the Saints front line caused the Hongkong Ladies' defence much trouble. With Miss J. Gittins through to beat Mrs. Lunsford with a first timer which left the Hongkong Ladies' goal-keeper standing.

When the game was 15 minutes old, Miss M. Smalley, the Hongkong Ladies' centre forward, missed a glorious opportunity of putting her side on level terms. With Miss J. Hall at her mercy, she shot straight at the Saints' goalie from three yards range. The latter, cool and collected, saved the situation with a brilliant clearance.

HALVES PROMINENT
In the second half Miss Purvis, on the left wing worked hard but her ball control left much to be desired. On the other hand Mrs. Probert at inside left harassed her movements on many occasions by getting in her way. The Saints' half back line again showed up prominently, Misses Lawson, J. Wong and Field forming a perfect combination. Miss G. White was a power at right back and Miss J. Broadbridge, although slow with her recovery, also did well. When under pressure, showed great coolness and it was not for her splendid anticipation the Hongkong Ladies might have pulled the game round in the closing stages. Miss P. Gittins, the Saints' leader, was well looked after by Miss Pope, but did what was expected of her. Misses E. Churn, S. Roberts and F. Wong were also in the field.

For the Hongkong Ladies, Miss M. Smalley was the most dangerous forward but the rest of the line were weak. Miss Pope, at centre half and Miss Heibling, at left back, were the outstanding defenders. Miss Green is also entitled to praise for the way she held the fast Saints' right wing combination. Mrs. Lunsford was her usual self in goal and can hardly be blamed for the shot that beat her.

The Saints are to be congratulated on their victory. Just lately they have been hitting the high spots. The Southern Cup in their case again; they were deprived of it two seasons ago. A slippery surface and a few spills made the game quite exciting at times.

Sodden Ground For Trial Match

Three Combinations Of Full Backs

It is true that the rain which fell overnight made the ground sodden for the Interport trial last Sunday morning, but the selectors are to bear in mind that such conditions might prevail on April 17 when the game takes place at King's Park.

Several players gave a very good account of themselves whilst others were apt to lay the blame on the slippery pitch. In my opinion the ground was rather bad, but not too bad for good hockey. It is entirely up to the players to adapt themselves to such conditions. Several changes were made in both teams after the interval—after a goalless first half—and taking everything into consideration, the game was quite interesting. Both goalkeepers were in brilliant form, though Dobson for the Colours was called upon to do the lion's share of the day's work. He conceded a goal in the second half, but otherwise he demonstrated only one weakness, that of stopping the ball first instead of clearing it first with his feet. A fast forward will beat him to the ball if he does not remedy this fault.

Ramzan, as usual, demonstrated keen anticipation and never seemed to be in difficulties. I am rather inclined to think that Dobson has the "big match" temperament and should secure his first Interport cap. A great deal will depend on their performances next Sunday morning when a final trial will be held.

BACKS SHINE

Of the two sets of backs on view, Guest and Stickley (Whites) seemed to be the staidier and again Ghulam Rasul and J. Gonsalves were made to bear the brunt of a faster attack. In the second period, Gonsalves partnered Guest for the Colours and also formed a good partnership with the latter.

The selectors should have a choice of three combinations—Guest and Stickley; Ghulam Rasul and Stickley; and Guest and Gonsalves. Any of these three pairs should form a solid line. The last-named pair are old Interports.

With regard to the halves, Whetton, W. A. Reed and Malik formed a formidable trio for the Whites. These three in my estimation should be the choice for the Colony Intermediates. M. H. Hassan, for the Colours, was well up on W. A. Reed during the closing stages of the game but this was probably due to the hanging over of Neave and Whetton. I should like to see Hassan given a trial at right half. Both attacks were a problem and I am certain the selectors were no wiser when positional changes were made on resumption.

Where the Whites were concerned, Gurbachan Singh and S. A. Fowler, the right flank combination, were more impressive than Mackenzie-Kennedy and Douglass for the Colours.

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SECOND INTERPORT TRIAL GAME

Players Selected For Sunday

The following players have been asked to take part in the Second Interport trial on Sunday morning: Whites: Dobson (R.E.), J. Gonsalves (Recrelo) and Stickley (Midsex); M. H. Hassan (Radio), W. A. Reed (Club), and M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.); Mackenzie-Kennedy (R.S.), Douglass (R.S.), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), Parlaub (K. Rifles) and Narain Ram (Rajputana Rifles).

Colours: Ramzan (K. I. T. C.); Wallace (R.A.F.), and Ghulam Rasul (Rajputana); McLellan (Y.M.C.A.), Gorman (Middlesex), and Spencer (Navy); S. Fowler (Club), G. Singh (Radio), Chatterly (Middlesex), and Withworth (Navy).

Players are requested to be on the Club ground, King's Park, at 11 a.m. sharp on Sunday morning. Those unable to turn out are to inform Mr. G. T. Palmer, the Hon. Secretary.

Tennis

W. C. HUNG EXTENDED BY CHOA

Pleasant Match To Watch

(By "Veritas")

Much more in keeping with the type of play expected from Colony championship matches was yesterday's encounter in the second round of the Colony singles tennis title between W. C. Hung and George Choa, won by the former after a fascinating contest by 6-2, 4-6, 7-5.

Choa, one of Hongkong's most promising young players, had a grand opportunity of snatching victory when he led Hung 4-3 in the final set with service to follow. But service in that set had been a boomerang to both players, and it was not altogether surprising when

Dominion Students Beat Hospitals

London, Mar. 30.

In a rugby match played today, Dominion students defeated a United Hospitals' fifteen by 14 points to five.—*Reuter*.

he lost his delivery for Hung to square the set at a vital stage. Even then the result was very open. Hung went to 5-4 on his service, but Choa came back strongly to level in the tenth game, and he fought every point with great courage, and no small degree of ability, until the end, when Hung's superiority from the forecourt carried him to victory.

It was in every respect a pleasant match to watch. From the baseline Choa was Hung's equal, driving strongly and with a polished action on both hands. If Hung thought he would find a weakness on his opponent's backhand, he was sorely disappointed. If anything Choa was more dangerous on this wing, his passing shots being of a high quality. Choa revealed a pleasant style and the secret of taking an early ball on the run, and though he would probably find this a more effective attacking shot if he hit the ball with a flatter racket on the forehand, his top-spinned shot was very well made and gave Hung plenty of trouble.

GREATEST SHORTCOMING

Choa's biggest shortcoming was ignorance of tactics. For some reason he placed great faith in a drop shot, which was not only faultily produced, but which lacked accuracy and the element of surprise. Hung was able to reach the majority of these shots and to turn them to his own advantage.

Secondly Choa did not mix his shots enough when playing on the defensive. He endeavoured to pass Hung with drives all the time, until Hung was able to anticipate the direction and to cut off the shots with beautiful volleys. Choa definitely needed to lob in the latter stages of the match, for smashing at such a crucial time is far more hazardous than volleying as Choa found to his own cost when Hung tossed them up from the baseline.

The loser revealed a pleasant style and has a most promising technique. But if he intends to rely to any extent on the drop shot he should (Continued on Page 9.)



R. P. Tarrant, the Islington Corinthians' Irish international, in a tussle for the ball with Lee Kwok-wai yesterday at Caroline Hill when the tourists played their return match with the South China A.A. The result was a draw of 1-1. (Photo: Mee Cheung).

Badminton League

Undergraduates Annex First Of Play-Off Games

(By "Veritas")

Variable indeed was the badminton at Taikeo Club last night between the Hongkong University and Chinese Y.M.C.A., in the first match of the triangular play-off series for the "A" Division league championship, which the University won by the handsome and indisputable margin of seven games to two.

The match was won and lost in the first three games, which were secured by the Varsity in convincing style. The Y.M.C.A. never looked like recovering from such a disastrous start, and their winning of the fourth game was simply a delay of the inevitable result. The University clinched the issue in the sixth game to lead 5-1.

The badminton was decidedly patchy, a considerable amount of poor play being only partially compensated by bursts of brilliance by both teams. The University pairs were far and away the more dependable, and even gave the impression they had something in hand. Neither as a team, nor individually, were the Chinese Y.M.C.A. able to settle down to play that brand of game which has made them one of the most formidable combinations in the colony.

WONG'S UNFORGETTABLE MISTAKE

Perhaps Patrick Wong's below-standard display had its psychological effect upon them. Wong, only half as accurate as usual, and committing unforgivable sin of "ponching", seldom touched his best form. P. K. Hul, in the first game of the evening, was more than a match for him tactically, and in all other respects comparison between the two players was in Hul's favour. The Varsity star was almost faultless in this particular encounter, smashing with terrific severity and with impeccable accuracy. K. L. Yong too, was a fine accomplice, skilfully juggling with the "bird" at the net, and creating all the openings his partner needed for the winning kill.

Wong and Hon would have shown up very much better if Wong had not so outrageously "poached". Hon appeared perfectly capable of holding his own in the long rallies, and more than once he flared out a decisive finishing shot for a point. But Wong, by his demand to cover the entire court, left his partner badly out of position on several occasions, and ruined whatever teamwork they might have developed during the season. This was the essential cause of their defeat.

University never looked back from this encouraging start. C. S. Lee, whom I have not seen in action since he led the Elliot Hall team four seasons ago, dominated the second game with his unanswerable smashes, and cunning placements, and he also played well against Wong and Hon.

The University couple in this game led for most of the way, and the "Y" players had to play desperately hard to win the tie.

The other games were poor and a trifle uninteresting in comparison. The Chinese "Y" were ill-served by their third string, who were not in the same class as the opposition, and with all interest gone after the sixth game the match dragged on to an eventual result of 7-2.

CLEVER T. F. YONG

One of the cleverest players on view was T. F. Yong, who partnered P. K. Chan in the Varsity's third string. Without qualification he possesses the most brilliant backhand strokes of all local players, superior even to J. J. Remedios's well-known flick shot. Endowed with a strong but flexible wrist, Yong was able to plant the shuttle wherever he liked last night, and completely outwitted the opposition with his finely disguised shots. He was well on a par with the other leading players, and his canny manoeuvring for position placed him in the same class tactically as Wong and Hul.

The strength of this third pair meant a lot to the University. It gave the team a balance which was completely absent from the Y.M.C.A. combination, and it is a factor which will probably turn the issue in favour of the University when they meet Recrelo.

The losers should have done better, but they apparently allowed the occasion to upset them, and this loss of equilibrium against the shrewd, calculating play of the Varsity students could produce only one result.

On the evening's form, the University appear to be a good bet for the title. They oppose Recrelo on Friday and need only to win to assure themselves of the championship. But they are more likely to meet stronger opposition on Friday than last night.

Scores: P. K. Hul and K. L. Yong (University) beat P. H. Wong and S. Y. Hon 21-11; lost to F. Koh and C. Au 21-24; beat Anthony Chuang and H. Koh 21-15.

C. K. Lee and C. O. Lee (University) lost to Wong and Hon 17-21; beat Koh and Au 21-12; beat Chuang and Koh 21-11. T. F. Yong and P. K. Chan (University) beat Wong and Hon 21-17; beat Koh and Au 21-18; beat Chuang and Koh 21-4.

PENALTY SAVES THEM AGAINST SOUTH CHINA INTERESTING BUT NOT OUTSTANDING SOCCER

(By "Abe")

Even the Islington Corinthians themselves must have been satisfied with their reception at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon in their return football match with the South China A.A.; a huge crowd, including a big contingent of schoolboys, turned up to see them play a draw with the home side in a game which, if not really outstanding, was always interesting because the issue was open up to the final whistle.

Had W. Miller not been fouled in the penalty area ten minutes after the resumption of play in the second half, the Chinese might have won the encounter, for their defence was good and turned back the Corinthians' attack time and again. It was conceivable that it might have prevailed right to the end. But the foul resulted in a spot kick being awarded to the Corinthians. George Pearce converted with a drive which gave Tam Kwan-kon no chance to save; and the lead earned by the Chinese shortly after the commencement was thus lost.

The eight hard matches played by the tourists in Manila plus the rough voyage which they had just experienced—they arrived only yesterday morning—must have affected them to some extent. There was not the same snap in their play as in their first visit here and if their defence was as solid as ever, their attack certainly failed to shine. Even Johnny Sherwood usually so dangerous a centre-forward, was as innocuous as the rest; the attempts he made to shoot could be counted on the fingers of one hand.

GOOD HALF-BACK

Once again the greatest strength of the Corinthians lay in their half-backs, Wright, Whittaker and Bradbury. While Whittaker completely bottled up Chan Tak-fai, who has been so prolific in his scoring lately, the wing-halves not only carried out their defensive duties effectively but also found time to help in the attack.

The tourists were at fault in their failure to emphasise their superiority in terms of goal, especially in the first half when they were attacking continually, but the wing-halves were definitely not to be blamed for this. They did their share of football; only the forwards, Tarrant, Sherwood and Miller, failed to profit by their passes.

"Pat" Clark and Buchanan formed a solid pair of backs and let little get past them, but apart from the shot which beat him and the gathering of a few long punts by the Chinese forwards, Longman was not unduly troubled.

The Chinese attack consisted of four members of the all-conquering South China "B" side. The outside right, Tang Kwong-sum, of the "A" team, did not fit in too well with the others and was the weak link in an otherwise quite effective line. He did not quite seem to realise the moves of his colleagues quickly enough. It was on the left where the greatest Chinese threat lay. Lee Shok-yau and Lau Chung-yeung understood each other's play very well, but the former, possessor of a terrific left-footed drive, did not shoot often enough. He was responsible for the Chinese goal ten minutes after the start, but in the second half he missed a glorious opportunity of putting his side two up when, instead

of cutting in by himself, he tried to draw Whittaker, only to see his pass to Chan Tak-fai smothered by the centre-half.

CROWDING THEIR GOAL

Concentrating as they did on defence, little was seen of the Chinese intermediates in attack. Their policy of crowding their goal paid them, however, and Lau Hing-choi and Lee Kwok-wai particularly were successful in preventing the Corinthian forwards from being dangerous. The two backs, Mak Sul-hon and Lee Tin-sang, were steady without being particularly brilliant, but the goal-keeper, Tam Kwan-kon, was in magnificent form, making some fine saves.

The Chinese pressed strongly towards the end of the game, but the fine Corinthian defence kept them out. It was just as well that the injury to Whittaker came so late, otherwise the Chinese might have succeeded in breaking through.

Teams:—

Islington Corinthians.—Longman; Clark, Buchanan; Wright, Whittaker, Bradbury; Reed, Tarrant, Sherwood, W. Miller and Pearce.

South China A.A.—Tam Kwan-kon; Mak Sul-hon, Lee Ting-sang; Leung Wing-chiu, Lau Hing-choi, Lee Kwok-wai; Tang Kwong-sum, Ng Po-ku, Chan Tak-fai, Lau Chung-yeung, and Lee Shok-yau.

Home Football

Huddersfield Beaten By Portsmouth

London, Mar. 30.

Portsmouth, at present at the bottom of the table, won two important points to-day by beating Huddersfield at home by three goals to nil in the First Division of the English Football League.

Results of matches played to-day are:

FIRST DIVISION

Portsmouth 3 Huddersfield 0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Exeter 1 Southampton 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)

Queen's Park 2 Hamilton 1

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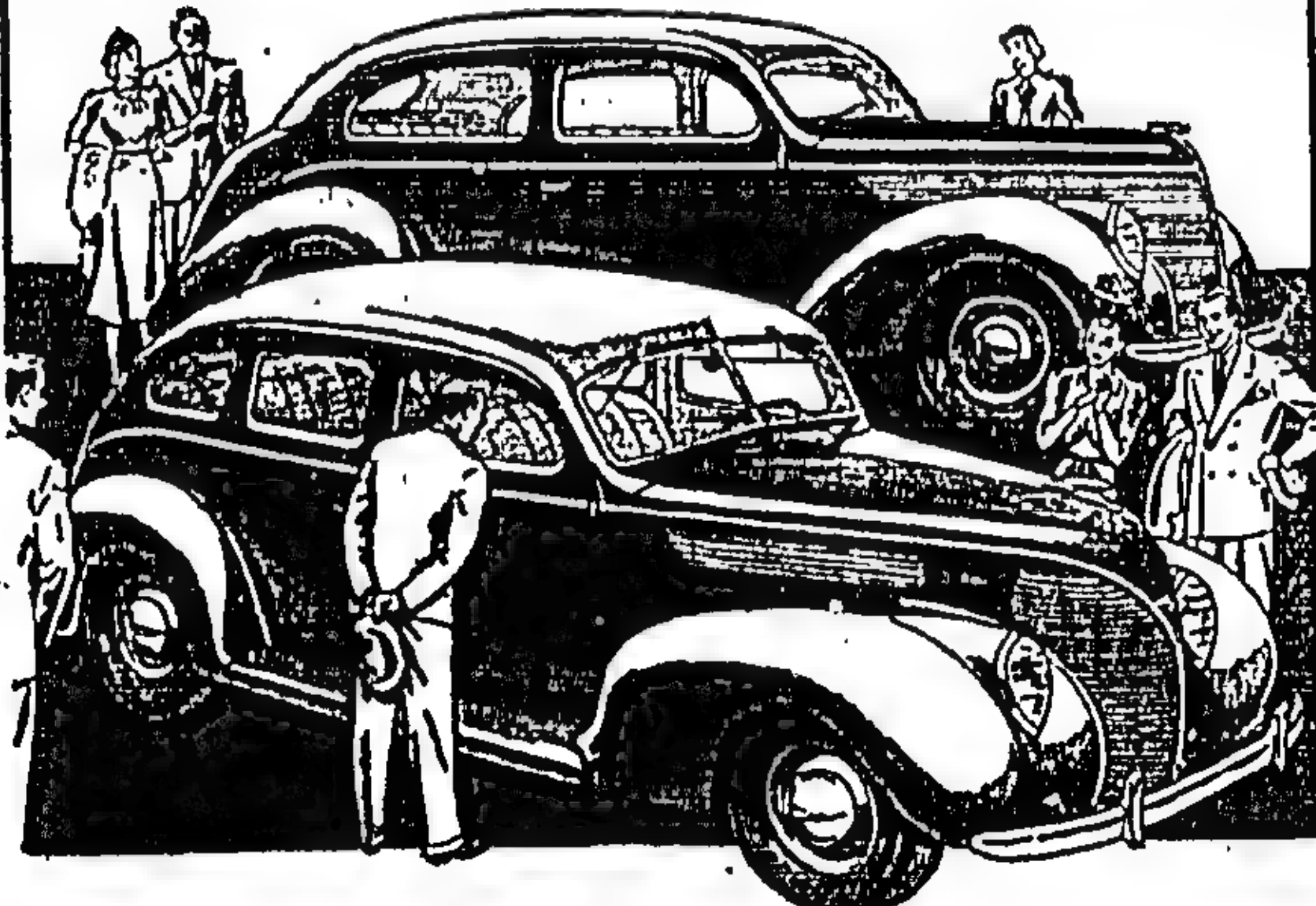
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WARWICK OFFICIALS THREATEN TO RESIGN

Members Confirm Cranmer As The Cricket Captain

London, Mar. 30. The President and Committee of the Warwickshire County Cricket Club stated at the annual meeting at Birmingham to-day that they would resign forthwith if the report for the year and their action in changing the captain for the 1938 season were not adopted and confirmed.

The Committee recently appointed Peter Cranmer, the English international rugby player, to lead Warwickshire in place of H.E.S. Wyatt. Members of the County Club, hearing the Committee's statement, passed a vote of confidence and did not put to the meeting a resolution asking the Committee to rescind the decision to replace Wyatt.

When interviewed on his return from the Argentine with Sir Theodore Brackenham's team, Wyatt declined to say whether he would be turning out for Warwickshire again during the summer. He also denied that he had been invited to turn out for Surrey. He stated that his plans had not been completed.

EXCHANGE RATES

	Mar. 29	Mar. 30
Paris.....	163.31/32	162.2
Geneva.....	21.66 1/2	21.66 1/2
Berlin.....	12.37 1/2	12.37 1/2
Athens.....	547 1/2	547 1/2
Milan.....	91 1/2	91.13/32
Oslo.....	19.90	19.90
Copenhagen.....	22.40	22.40
Stockholm.....	19.40 1/2	19.40 1/2
Helsingfors.....	22.0 1/2	22.0 1/2
Shanghai.....	17 1/2	17 1/2
New York.....	4.07 1/2	4.07 1/2
Vienna.....	2.0 1/2	2.0 1/2
Amsterdam.....	8.98 1/2	8.98 1/2
Prague.....	152 1/2	142 1/2
Madrid.....	Nom.	Nom.
Lisbon.....	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong.....	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
Bombay.....	1/6 1/2	1/6 1/2
Montreal.....	4.98 1/2	4.98 1/2
Brussels.....	29.40	29.37 1/2
Yokohama.....	171.31/32	171.31/32
Beigade.....	216	216
Bucharest.....	677 1/2	677 1/2
Montevideo.....	20 1/2	20 1/2
Rio de Janeiro.....	21 1/2	21 1/2
Silver (Spot).....	18 1/2	18 1/2
Silver (forward).....	18 1/2	18 1/2
War Loan.....	101 1/2	101 1/2

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T.T. London.....	13.21 1/2
Demand.....	13.21 1/2
T.T. Shanghai.....	110
T.T. Singapore.....	52 1/2
T.T. Japan.....	101 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.....	30 1/2
T.T. Manila.....	90 1/2
T.T. Batavia.....	54 1/2
T.T. Bangkok.....	151 1/2
T.T. Saigon.....	98 1/2
T.T. France.....	9.90
T.T. Germany.....	75 1/2
T.T. Switzerland.....	132 1/2
T.T. Australia.....	170 1/2
m/s L/c London.....	1/2 1/2
m/s D/P do.....	1/2 1/2
m/s L/c U.S.A.....	30 1/2
m/s France.....	10.05
m/s India.....	82 1/2
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Football Tourists' Farewell Match

The Islington Corinthians will make their farewell appearance in the Colony this afternoon when they meet a combined team from the Navy and South China at Caroline Hill. The match commences at 5.15 p.m. The proceeds will go towards the War Relief Fund.

BEN FOORD GETS £1,850

Neusel Fight Date

Ben Foord, South African heavy-weight, will definitely fight Walter Neusel, the German, in Hamburg on April 10.

Promoter Gratzenau, of the Hansaer, Halle, Berlin, obtained Foord's signature in London last month. Foord's purse has been increased from £1,500 to £1,850 win, lose or draw. The money, in English currency, will be deposited in a London bank before the fight. It is understood that Neusel, who receives his purse in marks, will receive slightly less.

Foord will leave for Germany early in April to complete his preparation.

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning:

Banks	
H.K. Banks, \$152 1/2 n.	
H.K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), £87 n.	
Chartered Banks, £11 1/2 n.	
Mercantile Bank, £ and £. £28 n.	
Mercantile Bank, £ and £. £14 n.	
East Asia Bank, \$80 b.	
Insurance	
Canton Ins., \$275 n.	
Union Ins., \$535 n.	
China Underwriters, \$2 n.	
H.K. Fire Ins., \$233 n.	
Shipping	
Douglas, \$67 b.	
H.K. Steamships, \$10 1/2 n.	
Indo-Chinas (Prof.), \$51 n.	
Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$24 n.	
Shell Bearer, 77 1/2 n.	
Union Waterboms, \$9 1/2 n.	
Docks etc.	
H.K. & W. Wharves, \$136 n.	
H.K. W. Docks, (see below).	
Providents (old), \$3.60 n.	
Providents (new), \$3.40 n. call	
Engineering, Sh.	
New Engineering, Sh. \$3.80 n.	
Shanghai Docks, Sh. \$80 n.	
Kailan Mining Adm., 13/3 n.	
Ruhs, \$7.80 n.	
Venz: Goldfield, \$4 n.	
Hongkong Mines 10 cts. n.	
Philippine Mining	
Antamols, P. 40 1/2 sa.	
Atoks, P. 24 sa.	
Bugulo Gold, P. 10 1/2 sa.	
Benguet Consol., P. 10 1/2 sa.	
Benguet Explor., P. 10 1/2 sa.	
Big Wedge, P. 10 1/2 sa.	
Coco Groves, P. 39 1/2 sa.	
Consolidated Mines, P. 61 1/2 sa.	
Demonstrations, P. 33 1/2 sa.	
E. Mindanao, P. 10 1/2 sa.	
San Miguel, P. 10 1/2 sa.	
United Paracels, P. 41 sa.	
Lands, Hotels, etc.	
H. and S. Hotels, \$7 n.	
H.K. Lands, \$35 1/2 n.	
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben \$100 b.	
Shal Lands, Sh. \$8 1/2 n.	
Metropolitan Lands, Sh. —	
Humphries, \$9 1/2 n.	
H.K. Realities, \$9.40 n.	
Chinese Estate, \$97 b.	
China Realities, Sh. —	
China Deben, —	
Public Utilities	
H.K. Tramways, \$15.80 sa.	
Peak Trams (old), \$7 b.	
Peak Trams (new), \$3 1/2 n.	
Star Ferries, \$94 1/2 b.	
Yauwut Ferries (old), \$28 s.	
China Light (old), \$12.10 sa.	
China Light (new), \$9.10 n.	
H.K. Electric, \$59 1/2 n.	
Macao Electric, \$18 n.	
Sandakan Lights, \$14 1/2 n.	
Telephone (old), \$26 1/2 b. and sa.	
Telephone (new), \$10 1/4 n.	
China Buses, Sh. —	
Singapore Traction, 24/6 n.	
Singapore Pref., 23/6 n.	
Industries	
Cald: Macg. (old), Sh. \$14 1/2 n.	
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), Sh. \$12 1/2 n.	
Canton Ices, \$1.70 n.	
Cement, \$17 1/2 sa.	
H.K. Ropes, \$4.05 n. x.d.	
Stores, &c.	
Dairy Farm, \$24 1/2 sa.	
Watsons, \$8.80 n.	
Lane Crawfords, \$9 1/4 n.	
Singapore, \$220 b.	
Wing On (H.K.), \$49 b.	
William Powell, Ltd., 60 cts. b.	
Cotton Mills	
Evo Cotton, Sh. \$14.40 n.	
Shal Cotton (old), Sh. \$72 n.	
Zong Sing, Sh. —	
Wing On Textiles, Sh. —	
Miscellaneous	
H.K. Entertainment, \$6.30 n. x.d.	
Constructions, \$1 1/2 b.	
Vibro Pilline, \$5 1/2 n.	
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S.Bds., 71 1/2 n.	
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 6% prm. n.	
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 2% prm. n.	
Wallace Harpers, \$10 b. and sa.	
Marsmans Inv., (Lon.), s/- 11/3 n.	
Marsmans Inv., (H.K.), s/- 9/10 b.	
H.K. & W. Docks, \$21.80 b. x. Rts.	
H.K. & W. Docks (new), \$21 n.	
H.K. & W. Docks Rts. \$11 n.	



The St. Andrew's Ladies' hockey team, winners of the Southern Cup. Front Row (left to right):—Misses F. Wong, E. Churn, F. Gittins, S. Roberts and M. Churn. Middle Row—Miss June Hall. Back Row (left to right):—Misses J. Broadbridge, F. Lawson, J. Wong, G. White and H. Reid.

Weekly Hockey Notes By "The Pilgrim" Sodden Ground For Trial Match

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Colours. Fowler was later seen with Douglas but both failed to impress.

SUGGESTED ATTACKS

Pritam Nath (Whites) leader, is the obvious choice but I am given to understand that he will not be here for the Interport. His opposite number, Capt. Loch, found the ground too heavy for his liking, and could make very little headway when the occasion arose. Pyara Singh and Paritub (Whites) had a better understanding than J. Pinto and Gopal Ram (Colours). Paritub was also seen at inside left but was very uneasy in that position. In view of Pritam Nath's departure I would suggest the following Colony attacks: S. A. Fowler, Gurbachan Singh, G. H. Fowler, Pyara Singh and Paritub or Pyara Singh (centre forward), Dunne and Paritub. Wall of the Police is also worthy of a trial for the inside left berth.

The Colours defeated Whites by 1-0, G. Singh finding the net in a brilliant solo effort. The winners in the second half were decidedly the better team. A final trial is to be held at King's Park next Sunday morning.

Champions Beaten In Semi-Final Army Large Units Tournament Tie

A huge crowd of Army enthusiasts saw the Rajputana Rifles lower the colours of the Kumon Rifles, the present Champions, on the Marina ground last evening by 5-2. The Champions began very uncertainly, and were four goals to the bad in 15 minutes.

Within three minutes Narain Ram took a free hit and Sawal Khan scored with a first timer. Two minutes later Shih Wali, after a brilliant breakaway down the right wing, centred a fierce drive which Sawal Khan again intercepted to increase the lead. The Rajputana Rifles still maintained a hot pace and five minutes later Gopal Ram added a third goal which Chund Chund collided with Pritam Nath. Immediately after, a grand pass from Pritam Nath saw Gopal Ram score again from the edge of the circle.

While their opponents shot at every opportunity, the Champions had a tendency to do too much passing when in front of goal. Capt. Loch, however, playing constructively and with accuracy as leader, kept his attack on the move for fully ten minutes. Before the Rajputana Rifles could recover their early balance the Champions forced them for the first short corner of the match and Trilok Singh reduced the deficit from the resultant hit. (4-1). Good work was being accomplished by Paritub and Umed Singh on the left-flank and before the interval was called the former bent Behari Singh with a well deserved goal (4-2).

OFFENSIVE RESUMED

After the interval the Rajputana Rifles resumed their early offensive but the Champions' intermediate line, with Hoshyar Singh, Lal Singh and Bahadur Singh, withstood the severe pressure forced upon them by Pritam Nath and his colleagues. Umed Singh, on the left wing for the Kumons, missed two chances through over-elaboration. Capt. Loch broke through on several occasions but he was outwitted by Dalta Ram, the Rajputana full back. Ten minutes before the final whistle, Pritam Nath in a nice movement sent Sawal Khan through to score the last goal of the match, 5-2.

NOTES OF CURRENT INTEREST

LIEUT. Pritam Nath, the Rajputana Rifles and India's crack centre-forward, will be leaving the Colony for India on April 17. There is only one alternative, should the Selectors wish to include him in the team, and that is to have the Interport played on Saturday, April 16.

SGT. Robinson, the brilliant R.A.F. and English right back, will also be leaving the Colony on transfer to the Singapore base on April 4. It is tough luck on Robinson as he would have been a certainty for the right back position in the Colony team.

MISS V. Bradbury, of the "Y" Ladies 2nd XI, will be turning out for the Senior team in the Champions v. Rest game on Saturday. She is at the moment one of the best and fastest right wingers in the Colony.

THE Hongkong University is sending a team to engage the Macao 2nd XI on April 9. The undergraduates possess quite a useful side and should, in my opinion, defeat the Portuguese junior team.

GURBACHAN Singh, the triple Interport and star Radio inside right, received a nasty injury in last Sunday's trial game when he was hit in the mouth by a ball. Three of his front teeth were loosened and he has not been able to enjoy a comfortable meal for the last four days. I do hope he will be able to have a decent meal by Sunday!

TWO very successful trials were held on the C.B.A. ground last Monday and Tuesday for the selection of



Mrs. M. White, of Interport fame, will lead the Rest team against the Champions on Saturday.

The Rest teams to meet the Champions next Saturday. The Secretary of the H.K. Ladies' Hockey Association made a wise move in having the trials as they gave the ladies a fair chance. The ladies themselves are more satisfied and very great enthusiasm was shown. For instance, on the first day there were more than 22 players present, and on the second day, when the Seniors took the field, two well-balanced teams were seen in action and the result was a goalless draw. I am afraid the ladies are showing the men up in this respect.

The following Rest teams were selected:
CAER CLARK CUP
Mrs. Lunson (H.K.L.); Miss G. White (Saints); Miss B. Porson (C.B.A.); Miss I. Woolley (C.B.A.); Miss E. Pope (H.K.L.); Miss J. Wong (Saints); Miss F. Wong (Saints); Miss M. Smalley (H.K.L.); Mrs. M. White (C.B.A.); Miss P. Gittins (Saints) and Miss D. Hunt (C.B.A.).
Reserves: — Miss P. Everest (C.B.A.); Miss H. Reid (Saints); Miss F. Best (C.B.A.) and Miss E. Churn (Saints).
BROWN CUP
Miss J. Hall (Saints); Mrs. Slater ("Y"); Miss J. Broadbridge (Saints);

W. C. HUNG EXTENDED BY CHOA

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give himself some hard practice. His overhead too, at the present, is a wretched compromise between a smash and an overhead volley, the result being nothing but a defensive return which is capable of serious repercussions for the player.

FINE VOLLEYING

Hung played characteristically steady tennis for three sets. His opponent's errors helped him to win an easy first set, but it was his own skillful judgment and splendid shot-making which won him the last few vital games of the match. During that period Hung played with great resource and ability. His volleying was par excellence, and he struck a useful length in lobbing. Off the ground he was reliable, and when given an opportunity for his peculiar, but effective, drag forehand drive across court, used it with telling effect. Hung was better equipped with shots than Chon and he also benefitted from his considerable match play experience which enabled him to change his tactics to suit the moment. This was the most decisive contribution to his success, hard won, but well deserved.

LOCAL SCHOOLS' NETBALL LEAGUE

The Hongkong Schools Netball League will hold its annual demonstration and presentation of cups at Heep Yuen School to-morrow at 4 p.m.

Miss P. Lawson (Saints); Mrs. Gunon (Saints); Miss E. Watron (C.B.S. "B"); Miss J. Ewing (C.B.S. "B"); Mrs. Ackroyd (Scarfords); Mrs. Williams ("Y"); Miss S. Roberts (Saints) and Miss M. Remedios (Recrolo).

Reserves:—Miss O. Botelho (Recrolo); Miss M. Silva (Recrolo); Miss M. Churn (Saints) and Miss Y. Ho (Saints).

Both games will be played on the Y.M.C.A. ground at King's Park, the juniors commencing at 3 p.m. and the seniors at 4.15 p.m. The Rest will play in whites and the champions in colours.

ON Friday at 5.15 p.m. sharp on the Club ground at King's Park, China and Portugal will meet in the first round of the H.K.H.A. International Tournament. Portugal will play in Colours and China in Whites.

THOUGH there will be no International fixtures this afternoon, the ladies, however, will be having an interesting practice game on the Y.M.C.A. ground, Kowloon. At 5.15 p.m. the Rest Junior and Senior teams will meet each other in preparation for next Saturday's games. The standard of hockey played in the two divisions this season will be easily be distinguishable.



Whetton, the R.F. and England right half, should secure his Interport cap against Macao.



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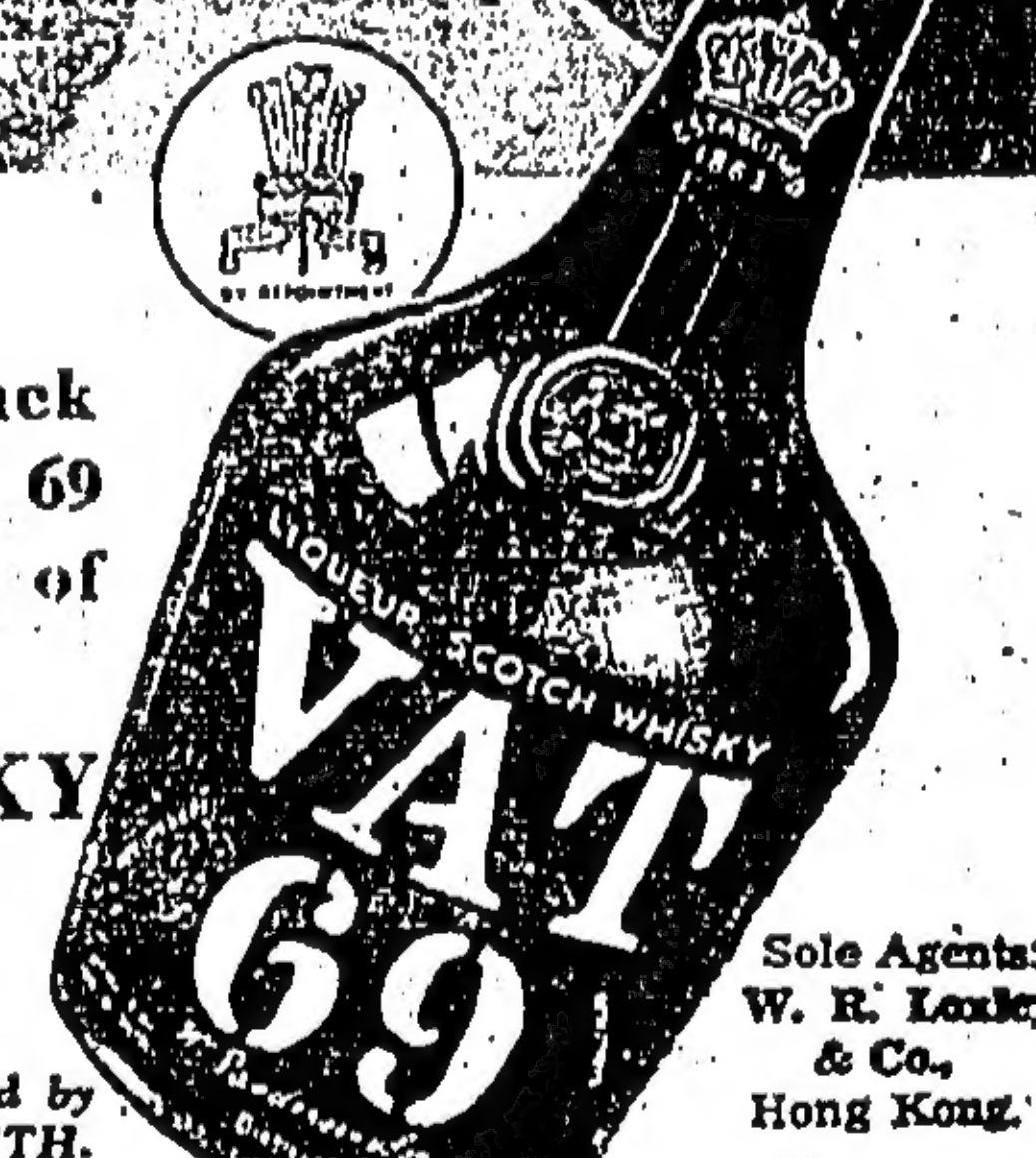
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Way Down East AGAIN

In New England
THE story of warm-hearted but intemperate farmfolk in the State of Vermont remains the same domestic melodrama. Miss Hudson, dark and big-eyed, is as ethereal as her famous predecessor, but just as sympathetic.

Heroine on Ice
A PERIOD of 30 years ago is suggested by the ballads in vogue, but this does not fit the expression "Whoopie!" from the village postman.

The Sunny Hales
MR. AND MRS. SONNIE HALE (Jessie Matthews) return to the screen very vivaciously in "First a Girl" at the Tivoli.

Girls and Tunes
MR. HALE (who spouts Romeo and says it is "As You Like It") works with cheery energy, and has a hilarious finale in cabaret girl undress.

Oil Work, No Play
THE only needless interruptions to "Oil for the Lamps of China" were the turning leaves of the book on which it is based.

Chinese "Anxiety"
PAAT O'BRIEN plays the pushing hero very well. In his position I would have resigned and joined the British oil interests, who, I hope, treat their employees more humanely.

Baker's Treat
JOSEPHINE BAKER, dusky flouting queen of Paris revue, obviously enjoyed making her first film, "Zou-Zou," now at the Rialto.

Now Available
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Here and There
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Nineteen year old Rochelle Hudson stars in the talking film version of "Way Down East" with Henry Fonda.

American play that is bound to fall foul of the Censor, unless the central theme is eliminated.

"Public Nuisance No. 1" is the name of the picture now being made here with Frances Day and Arthur Riscoe.

The four most popular British screen actors, according to London Film's poll to date, are Charles Laughton, George Arliss, Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Robert Donat.

The rights of P. G. Woodhouse's "Jeeves" stories have been acquired by 20th Century-Fox Pictures for Hollywood and will be made in a long series.

Myrna Loy, after "The Great Ziegfeld" will be with Spencer Tracy in "Whipsaw."

Katharine Hepburn is to star in "Mary of Scotland."

Eddie Cantor is completing "Shooting the Chutes."

Charles Boyer will be Marlene Dietrich's next leading man.

language on the film's sound-track to fit the players' lip-movements. "Zou-Zou" was photographed and recorded in French. English words were concoluted later. They often fit the picture.

Shorn Politics
NEXT Monday the London Pavilion shows "Arms and the Girl" with handsome, bumptious Robert Young and delightful Barbara Stanwyck.

Most of the story is a rather monotonous, wise-cracking trek from Mexico to Washington, dodging police. The heroine loves a revolutionary college boy.

Censorial scissors have been busy on most of the politics originally in the story. Some of it was near-Fascist in tone. The reformers are made to appear contemptible, even now. But their "Red" arguments have been whittled down into Samuilite Liberalism.

In the same bill is Disney's "Mickey's Fire Brigade."

Romco, Wanted
WHO will play Romeo to Norma Shearer's Juliet? Don't all about at once.

Fifty letters a day reach the Metro-Goldwyn studio from aspirants. Robert Donat has refused, and Brann Aherne is being considered—if he can spare the time.

Mr. Aherne is more in demand than any other British actor these days. Our own studios have little chance of luring him back. This Birmingham-born young man has just finished two big leading man roles—with Joan Crawford, in "I Live My Life," and with Katharine Hepburn in "Sylvia Scarlett."

Magic Play Names
I NOTICE that one of the newest young magnates of British films, Mr. Paul Soskin, has been contending that "artistic" pictures are not for him.

He would like to make a "Crime Without Passion," or some Dickens, but is out to make money. Therefore he will concentrate on buying the rights of successful plays.

It is an infallible way to success," he asserts, "that the very name of a long-run play is magic for the box-office."

Mr. Soskin must forgive my disagreeing with his views, respectfully but utterly.

Deceptive Runs
MR. SOSKIN, with a little more experience, will learn that "Crime Without Passion" and "David Copperfield" made money, in spite of being artistic.

Also, that play subjects are far from infallible film successes. Even those with record runs. I shall, for example, be more than interested to hear of huge profits from the film versions of "The Farmer's Wife," "The First Mrs. Fraser," "The Arcadians," "The Vortex" or "The Constant Nymph."

These five plays average run was over 700 performances. I could give others.

Besides, if Mr. Soskin collars the half-dozen or so long-run plays every year, that leaves nothing for the rest of the film world. Which seems hardly fair.

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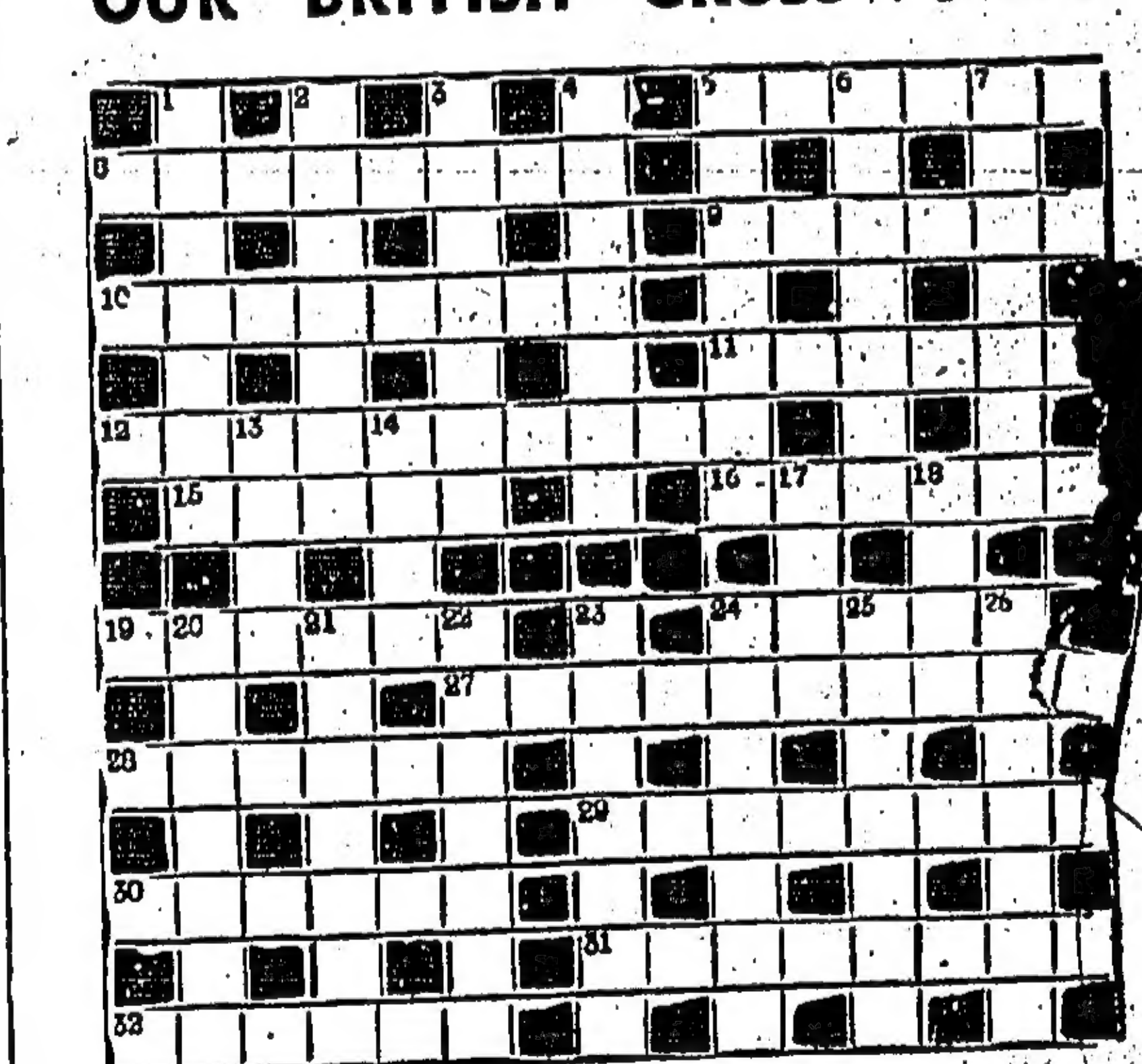
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 - Not rigid, and the last part is not last (7).
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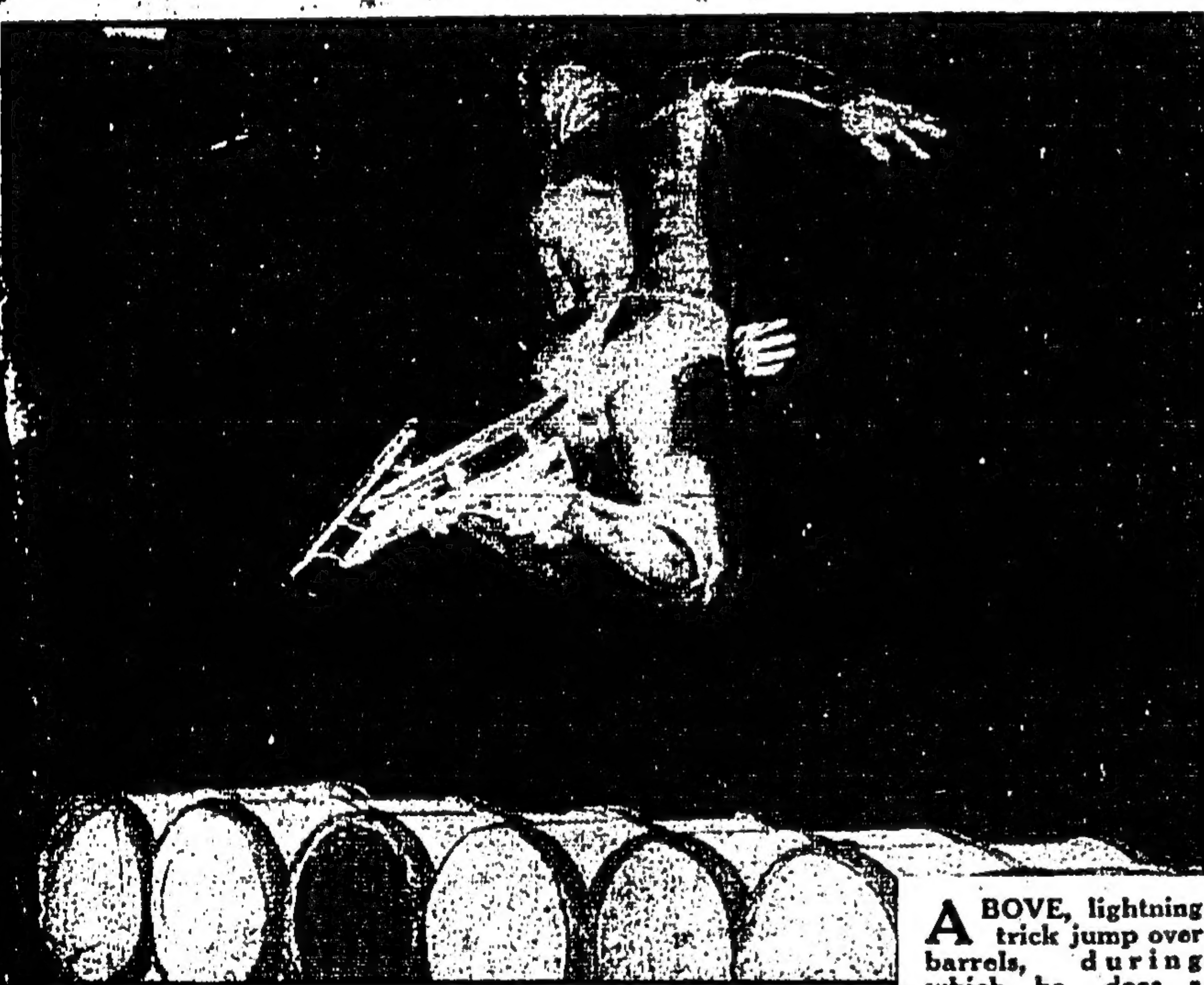
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Last week this page showed you the first flash-light photographs ever taken of racing greyhounds in action.

To-day an ordinary Press camera discloses what the human eye misses at a skating rink.

Left and below, Jerry Brown, Earl's Court, Rangers' centre forward, swerving and braking in an ice-hockey match.



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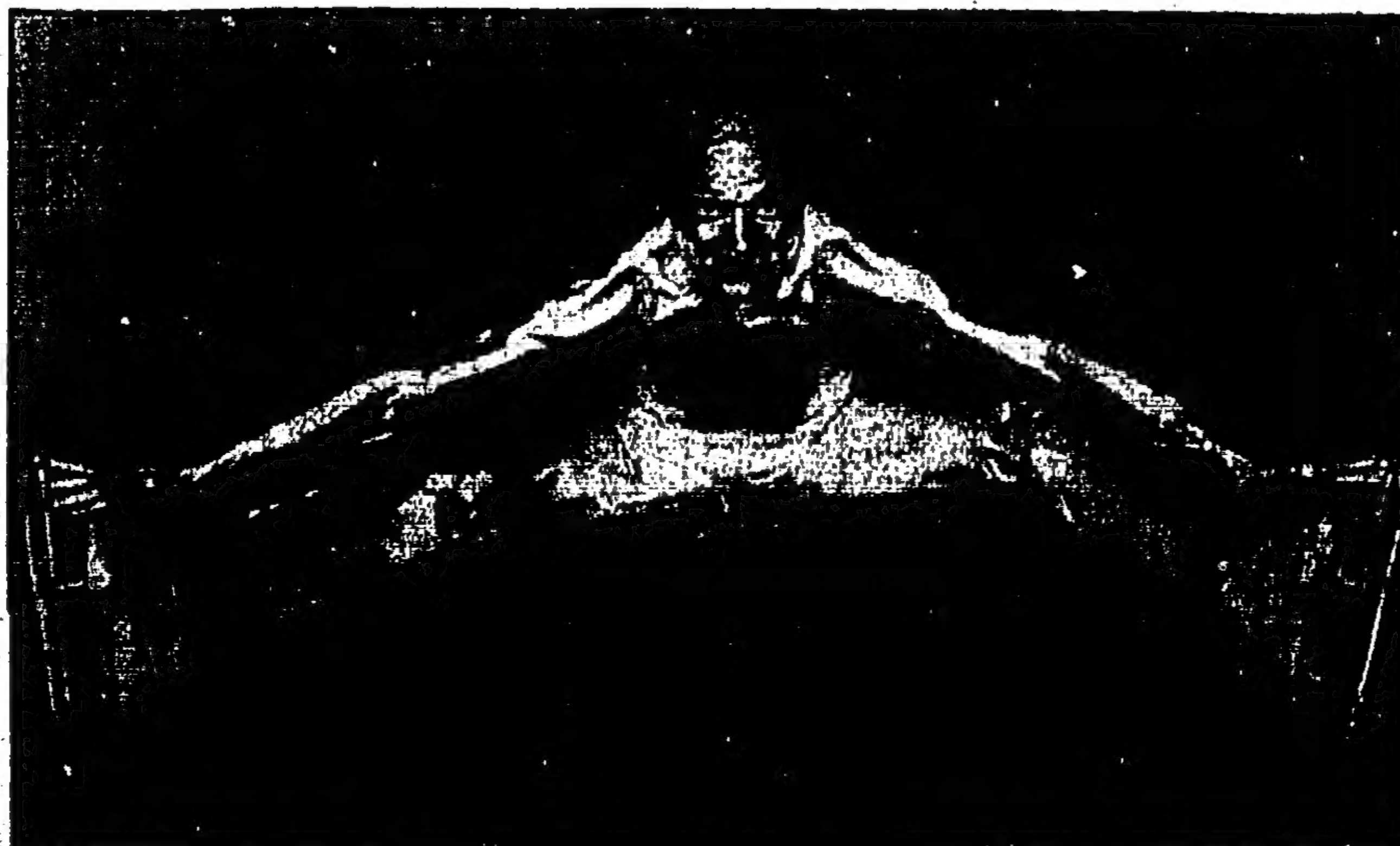
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Chinese Bomb Japanese Troops

Hankow, Mar. 31. Chinese aviation headquarters issued a communique yesterday evening that Chinese planes, when flying over Yihai at 10 o'clock yesterday morning, saw Japanese troops in the city in great disorder, and they heavily bombed Japanese troop concentrations, where fires were seen to be blazing.—Reuter.

Civilians Killed By The Score

Shanghai, Mar. 31. Chinese reports state that 17 Japanese planes, in attempting to relieve pressure on Tai-chung, dropped 200 bombs on nearby villages, killing "scores of civilians," after Chinese troops had encircled and threatened to wipe out a Japanese column before reinforcements could possibly arrive.

Japanese reports admit very heavy fighting at Tai-chung, and it is estimated that 50,000 of General Tang En-po's Chinese troops are "offering very stiff resistance." It is claimed that two battalions of over 500 Chinese troops were killed in a night attack at Sanohuang, near Tai-chung.

Chinese reports state that Chinese planes were taking part in the drive. However, details of their activities are very sketchy.

It is noteworthy that Japanese reports of routine Japanese raids in South China and Central China stated that they had not encountered any Chinese planes, and this possibly substantiates reports that the majority of Chinese planes are concentrating in North China.—United Press.

HONGKONG RESIDENTS ROBBED

The theft of money and jewellery worth \$2,173.20 from her residence, in Village Road, some time between 10 p.m. on Tuesday and 6.30 a.m. yesterday, is reported to the police by Mrs. Mo Siu-kwan.

Mrs. Weill, residing at "Alberose," Pokfulam Road, also reported that somebody entered her house yesterday and took clothing and jewellery valued at \$570.

Mrs. C. Winterbottom, residing at the Kinesclere Hotel, Chatham Road, lost clothing worth \$270 from the verandah of the Hotel.

ABSENT DEFENDANTS REBUKED

"People who get summoned must turn up," declared Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when Mr. A. J. Hall, of Austin Road, failed to answer a summons for allowing his dog abroad without muzzle or lead on March 3.

After Sub-Inspr. Flaherty had testified to serving the summons and Lt. Sergt. Torret had said he saw the dog in Austin Road, Mr. Barnett imposed a fine of \$17, and issued a distress warrant, saying that he was compelled to do so by the Ordinances. Defendant will be given five days to pay the fine.

On a similar count, Mr. K. M. V. G. da Silva, of Granville Road, was fined \$15, the Magistrate saying that though the dog had not bitten anyone while it was loose, he was imposing the usual fine because it had not been inoculated against rabies.

AMERICAN ATTACKED BY JAPANESE PLANE

Waiyung, Mar. 31. An American missionary riding in a motor car was attacked at Waiyung in Waiyung by a Japanese plane on March 29. The car was hit by five machine-gun bullets, but he is understood to have escaped unscathed. Five Japanese planes raided Waiyung around 11 o'clock that morning, dropping 15 bombs at Waiyung.—Central News.

STAMP DUTY Evasion ALLEGED

The practice to be a fraud upon the revenue of the Colony, Mr. J. Abbott, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted two shop-keepers before Mr. H. R. Butters at the Central Magistracy this morning for failing to put 10-cent duty stamps on receipts for sums of over \$20, which they had received.

Mr. J. Abbott, of the Tung Hop firm, 100, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266, 268, 270, 272, 274, 276, 278, 280, 282, 284, 286, 288, 290, 292, 294, 296, 298, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 354, 356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370, 372, 374, 376, 378, 380, 382, 384, 386, 388, 390, 392, 394, 396, 398, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 410, 412, 414, 416, 418, 420, 422, 424, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 440, 442, 444, 446, 448, 450, 452, 454, 456, 458, 460, 462, 464, 466, 468, 470, 472, 474, 476, 478, 480, 482, 484, 486, 488, 490, 492, 494, 496, 498, 500, 502, 504, 506, 508, 510, 512, 514, 516, 518, 520, 522, 524, 526, 528, 530, 532, 534, 536, 538, 540, 542, 544, 546, 548, 550, 552, 554, 556, 558, 560, 562, 564, 566, 568, 570, 572, 574, 576, 578, 580, 582, 584, 586, 588, 590, 592, 594, 596, 598, 600, 602, 604, 606, 608, 610, 612, 614, 616, 618, 620, 622, 624, 626, 628, 630, 632, 634, 636, 638, 640, 642, 644, 646, 648, 650, 652, 654, 656, 658, 660, 662, 664, 666, 668, 670, 672, 674, 676, 678, 680, 682, 684, 686, 688, 690, 692, 694, 696, 698, 700, 702, 704, 706, 708, 710, 712, 714, 716, 718, 720, 722, 724, 726, 728, 730, 732, 734, 736, 738, 740, 742, 744, 746, 748, 750, 752, 754, 756, 758, 760, 762, 764, 766, 768, 770, 772, 774, 776, 778, 780, 782, 784, 786, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 798, 800, 802, 804, 806, 808, 810, 812, 814, 816, 818, 820, 822, 824, 826, 828, 830, 832, 834, 836, 838, 840, 842, 844, 846, 848, 850, 852, 854, 856, 858, 860, 862, 864, 866, 868, 870, 872, 874, 876, 878, 880, 882, 884, 886, 888, 890, 892, 894, 896, 898, 900, 902, 904, 906, 908, 910, 912, 914, 916, 918, 920, 922, 924, 926, 928, 930, 932, 934, 936, 938, 940, 942, 944, 946, 948, 950, 952, 954, 956, 958, 960, 962, 964, 966, 968, 970, 972, 974, 976, 978, 980, 982, 984, 986, 988, 990, 992, 994, 996, 998, 1000.

Mr. F. H. Loseby, of Russ and Company, said he was representing Chung Ting-kong, the manager of the firm, as Li was in Canton. He pleaded guilty to the charges of failing to stamp receipts, but not guilty to the other two for falsifying an account book.

Mr. Abbott accepted this plea, and withdrew the first two charges. Mr. Loseby remarked that there was no method by which the manager of a firm can assure that receipts for sums received were stamped.

Mr. Abbott said that the penalty for such an offence was a maximum fine of \$10,000 and imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year. The summonses had arisen out of investigations by officers of the Treasury appointed to do such work.

ONLY DROP IN BUCKET
"I think my friend will agree, and your Worship will understand, that this is but a drop in the bucket. There must be thousands of cases of failure to stamp receipts. In this case, what was done was as set out in the original summonses. A receipt for a sum of over \$20 was altered for a sum below \$20 in order that a stamp need not be affixed. I am not suggesting that defendant himself did it, but I venture to say that this wholesale evasion of paying to the Colony its proper revenue is a very

serious matter indeed. There are many cases, hundreds of them, which we do not detect. If it is to be discouraged, I venture to submit that your Worship impose such a penalty as to deter others from doing the same thing."

He added that he did not know how many receipts were issued by the firm in the course of a day, but it was a fairly substantial business. It only a small fine was inflicted, it was merely a matter of arithmetic to find out how soon in proportion to the receipts issued the amount of the fine could be saved.

Continuing, he said: "These offences are a fraud upon the Colony. Nobody in the Colony, whether he be employed here, or is head of a firm here, can possibly hope to prosper if the revenue of the Colony is to be defrauded in a wholesale manner. The prosperity of the Colony as a whole is bound to suffer. I therefore ask that in imposing a penalty your Worship take into consideration these factors and impose such a penalty as to make other persons realise that it is not worth their while to commit these frauds on the Colony."

Mr. Loseby said he agreed with nearly everything Mr. Abbott had said, but he repeated that unless a business man signed all his own receipts, there was no means at all by which he could assure that stamps were affixed to all of them. He asked for a lenient penalty, remarking that a severe penalty would inevitably cause the proprietor of the firm to pass it on to his employees.

A fine of \$75 was imposed on each of the two summonses for failing to stamp receipts.

Wong Wing-hong, of the Tai Kik firm, Wing Lok Street, was fined a total of \$200 on four summonses for failing to stamp receipts for amounts of over \$20, and for splitting the amounts into sums below \$20.

STOP PRESS NEWS

AMERICAN ESCAPES AIR RAIDERS

Canton, Mar. 31. An American named John Peter Anderson, of Kiron, Iowa, who is connected with the Seventh Day Adventist Mission at Waichow, was driving his car from Canton to Waichow on Tuesday morning, when five Japanese planes circled overhead.

Mr. Anderson, together with a Chinese nurse andamah took refuge in the fields, and a moment later the planes machine-gunned the car, six bullets striking it.

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